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INDIA GOVT.'S INDUSTRIAL AND ECONOMIC POLICY

No Outright Nationalisation: Sectors Of State Control

NEW DELHI, March 24 (API): The Government of India's industrial and economic policy is expected to be laid before the Dominion Parliament on April 7, when a full-dress debate will take place.

Lobby anticipations are that the policy to be enunciated will have for its ultimate objective the fundamentals laid down in the report of the Congress Economic Programme Committee, but in so far as the immediate present is concerned—or rather a short-term policy—Government's efforts will be directed towards the adoption of such measures calculated, firstly to increase production, and secondly, demarcate clearly the respective spheres of State and private enterprise in industries.

NO OUTRIGHT NATIONALISATION

Outright nationalization of any of the existing industries is ruled out as a certainty though, it is gathered, the State will reserve to itself and, indeed, may prohibit any further private enterprise in regard to certain specified industries. This exclusion of private enterprise, it is further learnt, will be without prejudice to those who are already in the field and the State is expected to afford them full facilities for efficient working and reasonable expansion and generally to assist in the stepping-up of production. This arrangement or policy may be in force for a period say of ten years, after which the position would be reviewed in the light of the circumstances then prevailing.

NOT FOR PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

Such industries which are to be excluded for future private enterprise are believed to be mostly "key" industries or such of those which are essential for the defence of the country and which may require capital and technical skill which private enterprise could not generally provide without State aid. These industries include manufacture of aircraft, armaments, ship-building, coal, iron and steel, manufacture of telephone and wireless apparatus, excluding receiving sets, exploitation of mineral oils and mass production of salt. This does not restrict Government's power to acquire either by the Centre or by the Provinces, of public utility concerns whose licences provide for such acquisition. Thus the policy is expected to provide for the promotion of some basic and key industries by the State, even though there may be private enterprise also in the field. It will be recalled that a beginning in this direction has already been made by Government's decision to start steel plants.

BASIC INDUSTRIES

Besides the above seven or eight industries, there are certain other basic industries of importance, the planning and regulation of which is considered to be essential by the Central Government in national interests. These include electric power generation, automobiles and tractors, prime movers, electrical engineering, heavy machinery, machine tools, heavy chemicals, fertilizers, pharmaceuticals and drugs, rubber manufactures, power and industrial alcohol, cotton and woollen textiles, cement, sugar, paper and newsprint. It is believed the State would assume power for itself for the regulation of these industries. The principles which will govern such a regulation will provide that the future location of such industries must form part of a co-ordinated economic development of the country bearing no relation to provincial boundaries. Special attention will be devoted to such industries which require considerable investment and a high degree of technical skill. Starting of new industries in these fields or the expansion of existing ones would not be allowed in a haphazard manner, but will be subject to a licence issued by the Government.

PROFITS AND WAGES

An announcement for the setting up of a Planning Commission which had been recommended by the Congress Committee's report as well as the Neogy Report is expected to be made.

A question of considerable importance—to put a ceiling on profits or in other words to prescribe fair wages, fair profits and fair prices—has exercised the Government a great deal. Taking into consideration the urgency for increased production at the moment, it is understood, it has been tentatively decided that labour's share in the profit must be linked up with the quantum of production.

It is generally believed that the policy to be announced would have a "steadying influence" especially in view of the fact that the individual pronouncements by members of the Government in regard to the industrial policy, and the report of the Congress Economic Programme Committee had created some confusion. It had been contended by the industrialists that they were not against na-

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Jewish Convoy Ambushed

Arab Guerillas Claim Big Toll Of Life

JERUSALEM, March 24, (Reuter): Twelve Jews were killed and 30 wounded when 200 Arab guerillas ambushed a 60-vehicle Jewish convoy trying to run the gauntlet between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem tonight.

The column got to Bab el Wad, halfway between the two cities, when Arab mines blow up the first four armoured cars and snipers raked the lorries.

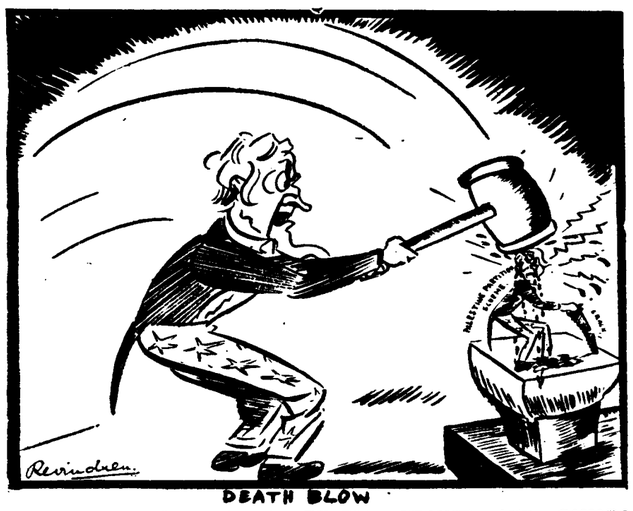
Late reports tonight said snipers from positions in the Judean Hills were still holding up the column.

Palestine's G.-O.-C., Lieut. General G. H. A. MacMillan and Brigadier Glubb Pasha, Commander of the Transjordan Arab Legion, interceded today with Arab guerillas attacking a Jewish convoy to allow wounded Jews to be taken to hospital, it was learned tonight.

Fourteen Jews were killed and ten others wounded in this ambush near the Jewish Settlement of Neev Yaacob, a few miles outside Jerusalem.

Jews were officially reported today to have shelled the Arab seaport of Jaffa with mortars yesterday and police said the outer wall of Hassan Bey Mosque was damaged. The Arabs returned the mortar fire, dropping their shells in all Jewish Tel Aviv twin-city to Jaffa injuring six Jews. There was more Arab mortar fire on the Jewish Yemen Moshe quarter of Jerusalem today.

This was the background of action here to today's struggle over the Palestine issue expected in the meeting of the United Nations Security Council at Lake Success New York.



LAKE SUCCESS, MARCH 24 (REUTER): FRANCE AND CANADA TODAY DECLARED IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL THAT THEY ARE NOT IN A POSITION AT THIS STAGE TO COME OUT IN SUPPORT OF THE UNITED STATES PROPOSAL FOR A TRUSTEESHIP OVER PALESTINE.

Chinese Reds Encircle Great Wall City

Situation In Manchuria Critical: Nanking Plans Big Offensive

NANKING, March 24, (Reuter): The Chinese Central Government Command is planning a general offensive against the communist forces in Central China a Government spokesman announced here today.

He claimed that the communist would feel telling blows in about six months' time.

The Government strategy, he said, was to deprive the communists of food supplies and manpower. Local militia units would be organised and expanded and people would be trained to defend their homes.

TATUNG ENCIRCLED

Communist forces had today virtually completed the encirclement of the strategic Great Wall City of Tatung in North Shansi Province pro-Government dispatches reported. Only one railway was left open to the garrison of Teincheng on the Peiping-Suiyuan Railway midway between Tatung and Kalagan. The garrison was reported to be entrenched inside the city for a siege.

One independent report said that communist forces to avoid heavy losses in an attempt to storm the walls were preparing to tunnel their way into the Teincheng.

Fierce fighting flared up in Central Hopei Province where communist troops attacked Government positions on the western, eastern and southern perimeter of Poating Gunwire was heard in Paoting throughout the day. On the Shantung and Central Shensi Fronts communists retained the initiative although meeting stiffer Government resistance.

The main fighting in Shantung was centred at Feicheng 40 miles southwest of the provincial capital of Tsinan where 15,000 communist troops were attacking.

MANCHURIA SITUATION

General Cheng Chien Director of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-Shek's Headquarters in the Hankow area and one of the Chinese vice-Presidential aspirants dclared here today that all fear of the Russians at present was unwarranted.

He said it would take Russia at least 15 years to recover from the devastation of the last war.

General Chien said the Chinese Government position in Manchuria was very critical and declared that the communists who have their own sources and supplies of arms are not to be dismissed lightly.

He said it was known that the communists were getting assistance from Russia

Quit Legislature Or Stick To League!

PARTY DIRECTIVE TO MEMBERS WHO RESIGNED

MADRAS, March 24, (API): The resignation of the nine Muslim members from the Madras Legislature League Party in the Assembly was considered at length at a meeting of the League Legislature Party this evening, Mr. M. Mohamed Ismail, leader, presiding.

The meeting authorised the Honorary Secretary of the Party to individually inform the members, who tendered their resignation on March 12, that "every member of the Legislature elected on the Muslim League ticket should be a member of the Muslim League Legislature Party and if he wants to leave the party the only course open to him is to resign from the Legislature itself and that in these circumstances your resignation cannot be accepted by the party. Your action in resigning from the party is against the rules and discipline of the party and is a violation of your pledge. Your resignation is being referred for appropriate action to the Provincial Muslim League to which the resignation ought to have been addressed".

The secession of the two members of the League Party in the Legislative Council (Upper House), Mr Abdul Latiff Farookhi and Dr. Syed Tajuddin, was also considered at the meeting. It was resolved to recommend the Provincial Muslim League the taking of suitable disciplinary action against them for their conduct "in violating the election pledge given by them and committing breach of the rules and discipline of the Muslim League Organisation".

SECURITY DEMANDED FROM LEAGUE DAILY

CALICUT, March 24, (A.P.I.): Under Sec. 7 (3) of the Indian Press Act, the Madras Government have directed Mr. V. C. Abubaker, printer "Chandrika" a Muslim League daily published from Calicut, to furnish a cash security of Rs. 2,000 before March 31 in connection with an article translated from Col. Desmond Young's publication about Sikh's part in the riot at Delhi which appeared in that paper on October last.

WILL PONDICHERRY BE U. S. BASE?

Prague Paper Story Of Secret Franco-American Pact

LONDON, March 24, (UPI): Is Pondicherry to become an American base?

"Svobodne Slovo", a Prague newspaper, reports that according to a secret Franco-American agreement, the U.S.A. will retain the existing defence bases in the French colonies and acquire a number of new bases.

The agreement, it is alleged, provides for preservation of the American naval and air bases in Algiers, Marakesh, Martinique, Guadeloupe and others under American control. The new bases in Tunis, Saigon, Pondicherry and elsewhere are to accommodate 10,000 strong American garrisons at every place.

Indian circles in London believe that the report is likely to be a surmise so far as Pondicherry is concerned, in view of the fact that the Franco-Indian negotiations for liquidation of the French possessions in India are said to be proceeding smoothly.

CHINESE C-IN-C MEETS BRITISH CHIEFS

PARIS, March 24, (Reuter): General Ho Chin Yin, Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese ground forces and Chief of the Chinese Military Mission to U. N. arrived here by air this afternoon from London.

General Ho, who was accompanied by generals Liu and Yu, will place a wreath on the tomb of the unknown soldier tomorrow when he will be received by leading French Government officials including Premier Robert Schuman, M. Henri Teitgen Minister or armed forces and General Juin Resident Minister in Morocco.

General Ho will leave Paris for Brussels on March 27 on his way back to China.

Before leaving London, General Ho called on Foreign Minister Ernest Bevin.

General Ho was accompanied by the Chinese Ambassador in London.

Last night General Ho had an interview with Prime Minister Clement Attlee. He has also seen Lord Montgomery Chief of the Imperial General Staff and Marshall of the Roayal Air Force Lord Tedder Chief of the Air Staff.

Mr. Bevin and General Ho are believed to have had a discussion about the state of the Chinese civil war and the implications of the recent Communist offensive in Manchuria.

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Kashmir Debate Postponed

Indonesian Protest To Security Council: Charge Against Dutch Government

LAKE SUCCESS, March 24, (Reuter): The debate of the India-Pakistan question scheduled for tomorrow has been postponed until next week though no date has yet been fixed.

Requests for postponement came from Argentine member of the Security Council who wanted Holy Thursday kept as a holiday.

The Indian and Pakistan Delegations accepted this.

The Kashmir debate in the Security Council has now been fixed for 7-30 p.m. (GMT) Monday.

A NEW DEADLOCK

The Shadow of a new deadlock hangs over the Kashmir problem, and there is a growing fear in Security Council circles that the United Nations may soon find itself almost back where it was in Jauary.

The Pakistan Delegation have not yet received final instructions from their Government, and it is understood that the delay may be due to a desire on the part of the Pakistan Government to consult Mr. Mohamed Ali Jinnah, Governor-General of Pakistan, who is at present touring East Bengal.

Sir Zafrullah Khan's own feelings which he has already outlined to the Council last week, is that it is difficult to see how Pakistan could agree to the proposals in the Chinese draft resolution without having to admit the total defeat in their whole case.

Two main points in the Chinese draft which appear to be the largest stumbling blocks are:

(1) The proposal to allow a certain number of Indian troops to remain in Kashmir during the plebiscite, although stationed at such points "as not to afford any intimidation or appearance of intimidation to the inhabitants of the State".

(2) The proposal to leave the present Administration of Kashmir in control during the plebiscite.

On the vital question of sovereignty in Kashmir the Indian Delegation has made clear the position of Sheikh Abdullah's Administration, although it is quite prepared to accept a measure of control by United Nations during the plebiscite.

INDONESIAN PROTEST

The Indonesian Republic has protested to the Security Council that the establishment of the State of East Sumatra "under sponsorship of the Netherlands Government" on March 15 is a violation of the United Nations "Renville" agreement.

A letter from Mr. L. N. Palar, permanent representative of the Indonesian Republic here, states: "My Government protests against this and intends to bring the matter to discussion when the Security Council takes up the Committee of Good Offices report on West Java and Madura."

Calcutta Police Fire On Mill Workers

SEQUEL TO VIOLENT CLASH WITH PICKETS

Arrested Labour Leader Rescued: Section 144 Proclaimed

CALCUTTA, March 24. (A.P.I.): The police fired thirteen rounds today to repulse and disperse a mob that attacked the police picket at the Basanti Cotton Mill, Panihati, near Calcutta, today, according to a Bengal Government Press Note. Four persons were injured as a result of the firing. Orders under section 144 have been promulgated in the area for one month with immediate effect.

The situation is under control now.

Earlier, the police fired a dozen teargas shells, when the police picket was being heavily brickbatted.

The Press Note says: "There was a disturbance at the Basanti Cotton Mill, Panihati, this afternoon. There has been a long standing dispute between the management and the workers of this mill, which recently resulted in a strike lasting nearly five months, perhaps the longest strike on record in the province. The dispute was referred to a tribunal whose award was given in the first week of March. A section of the workers agitated against the award, and under the instigation of the local Communists, staged a one-day strike last week end.

"On Wednesday morning, when the workers went to receive their wages, they demanded payment of wages also for the day they had struck work. The Management pleaded with the workers to refer this disputed payment to the Labour Commission.

ARRESTED MAN RESCUED

"This opportunity was utilised by the Communists to agitate the workers, some of whom got wild and Mohini Das, Secretary of the Union, threatened to set fire to the mill and incited the workers accordingly. The police was called out, and Mohini Das was arrested, but as he was being escorted by the police at about 5 p.m. a mob of nearly 150 persons overpowered police party and rescued Mohini Das, who managed to escape inside the mill premises, and has since not been traced.

CURFEW PROMULGATED

"The mill gate was closed and a strong police picket posted there. The mob heavily brickbatted these pickets and workers of shift 'A' at work and shift 'B' at the mill gate and then attempted to rush in. The Sub-Divisional Officer, Barrackpore, and two police constables received minor brickbat injuries. To bring the situation under control, the police fired 12 tear gas shells, after which, the mob split itself into small violent groups, collected under the tear along this section of the Barrackpore Trunk Road and continued to brickbat the police pickets. The mob soon after made another rush at the police picket. Thirteen rounds were fired by the police to repulse and disperse the mob. Four persons were injured as a result of firing. The police made some arrests on the spot.

The situation has been brought under control. Armed pickets have been posted for the protection of the mill property and the management has declared a lockout.

Section 144 prohibiting the assembly of five or more than five persons, carrying of arms, lathis etc., and collection of brickbats has been promulgated for a period of one month in the area.

CLASH BETWEEN WORKERS AND POLICE

NAGPUR, March 24, (A.P.I.) Serious labour trouble is reported from Rajnandgaon where over five thousand textile workers have been on strike for four days protesting against the arrest of Mr. B. S. Rulkar.

Thirty persons have been arrested by the police, since the strike started, on charge of promoting strike and instigating workers to assemble themselves from their work. The Labour Commissioner of the C. P. Government, it is learnt, is deputing a Labour Officer to proceed to Rajnandgaon to study the situation on the spot.

According to a message received here, there was a serious clash between a police party and some labourers, when the latter attacked a police bus and stoned it.

Rajandgaon is one of the fourteen Chhatisgarh states which integrated with the Central Provinces on January 1, 1948.

WAGE BOARDS AND WHITLEY COUNCILS FOR BOMBAY

Govt. Move To Enforce Provisions For Better Industrial Relations

A Bill to amend the Bombay Industrial Relations Act has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette issued on Wednesday night. The Statement of Objects and Reasons says:—

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Bill is framed for the several purposes mentioned below and is in the form of amendments to the Bombay Industrial Relations Act 1948.

(1) The industrial disputes referred to the Industrial Court involvs not only particular questions of individual interest but also general questions affecting the industry, such as, standardization of wages, rationalisation, efficiency of work etc. It has been found expedient to separate general questions of such nature and have them decided initially by Wage Boards established for the purpose. The Textile Labour Enquiry Committee advocated the formation of Wage Boards to handle such general but technical questions. The Industrial Court too has pressed for such separate forum. Accordingly, Wage Boards are proposed for each industry in the Province, consisting of an equal number of members nominated to represent the employers and the employees in the industry and also some independent members nominated by Government. The Industrial Court would have general superintendence over the Wage Board. When dealing with industrial matters of local interest the Wage Boards would be empowered to act through small Committees with attached members from the local area. The decision of the Wage Board would be subject to an appeal to the Industrial Court. In order that the Wage Board's decision may reflect changes of circumstances, provision is made for review by the Wage Board of its decision at intervals of not less than a year on application by the affected parties provided they represent or employ not less than fifteen per cent of the affected employees. Review is also made possible at any time on the application of Government. On the same lines a Provincial Wage Board is proposed for all industries together for handling questions common to all industries.

JOINT COMMITTEES

(2) The provision for Joint Committees which is permissive at present has not produced satisfactory results on account of the attitude of employers. Power is, therefore, taken by the Provincial Government, on an application made to it by the registered union, to direct the constitution of a Joint Committee. The order of the Government would prescribe a time limit for employers to nominate members to the Joint Committee and failure to comply would be penalised. The operation of Joint Committees is overdue as stipulated in the tripartite agreement. The Industrial of trial Disputes Act, 1947, already provides for Works Committees to be formed in like manner.

(3) The Industrial Court urgently requires powers for dealing with contempt of Court. It is proposed to give the Court the necessary powers in relation to itself and courts subordinate to it.

(4) Under the present Act, in certain matters such as those mentioned in sub-section (4) of section 42, an employee has a direct approach to the Labour Court but not a representative union. The union can come in only through an authorisation by the employee under section 33. Provision is made to enable a representative union to apply to the Labour Court direct in such cases without impairing the right of the employee to do likewise.

SPEEDY SETTLEMENT

(3) A registered union which is a representative of employees and the

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WORLD TRADE AGREEMENT

53 Nations Sign Charter: Havana Conference Ends

HAVANA, March 24, (Reuter): The International Trade Organisation Conference closed here today with the signing of a minal agreement by 53 nations.

Argentina and Poland had previously stated that they would not sign and the Turkish Delegation announced that it would have to wait for further instructions from Ankara.

INSPECTION OF AUSTRALIAN AIRFIELDS

LONDON, March 24, (Reuter): An aircraft of the King's Flight will leave London on Friday morning to take Air Commodore E. H. Fielden, Captain of the King's Flight, to inspect airfields in Australia and New Zealand likely to be used during the Royal tour early next year.

(The aircraft, a "Viking", will fly via Malta, Nicosia, Habbaniya, Sharja (Arabia), Karachi, Delhi, Calcutta, Mingaladon, Singapore and Sourabaya to Darwin, Australia, where it is due on Wednesday March 31.

LONDON, March 24, (Reuter): The Executive Committee of the British Association of Scientific Workers—influential body with over 17,000 members—today emphatically protested against the Labour Government's "purge" of the Civil Service.

STOP PRESS

WORKERS SUPPORT GOVT

LONDON, March 24. (Reuter): Trade Union Executives representing about seven and a half million workers today decided to support the Labour Government's policy of pegging wages and prices.

U.S. Would Not Force War

Karanjia Reviews European Situation

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

America would be the last country to precipitate a war, was the opinion expressed by Mr. R. K. Karanjia, Editor of the "Blitz" while addressing Bombay newsmen this evening at the Bombay Union of Journalists. Mr. K. Srinivasan presided.

Mr. Karanjia, who returned recently after a tour of the Eastern and Western European countries said that the resistance movement which fought the Naziz was transformed into reconstruction movement. He described how the factories were run by the workers and how the youths and workers were putting voluntary work to speed up the reconstruction of the war-torn Eastern European countries. Mr. Karanjia prophesised that within ten years Prague, Belgrade and other capitals of Eastern Europe would become important centres of Europe eclipsing Paris, London and Brussels. He added that Yugoslavia which was formerly only an agricultural country, was fast developing industrially. They had found their soul and realised their potentialities. America was afraid that she was losing her market in East Europe.

Talking of the Western European countries which were 'living on dollar and dole' Mr. Karanjia opined that they had become American colonies. He added demoralisation had already set in in these countries. Prices were shooting up and black marketing was flourishing. The people had lost faith in their leaders.

Mr. Karanjia referred to the foreign policy of the United Kingdom and said that after receiving the American aid, it might turn towards Russia. He added that she would remain out of war.

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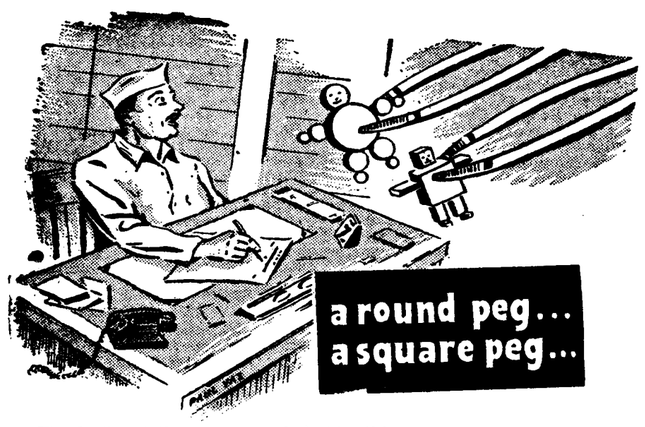

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PLAGUE SITUATION IN CITY

Solitary Case Reported In Arthur Hospital

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

While no further cases of plague were reported from the Sewri area today, the Municipal Health officer stated this morning that an imported case was admitted in the isolation ward at the Arthur Road hospital for plague.

Preventive measures to check the disease to neighbouring areas have been taken and by this morning more than 23,000 persons have been innoculated with anti-plague vaccine. The Haffkine Institute at Parel are supplying vaccine to private practitioners free of charge to innoculate visitors who frequent the plague-affected area between Sewri cemetry and the Reay Road tram terminus.

With a view to checking the infection from rat fleas, the Municipality has ordered the spraying of D.D.T. and in certain congested areas the use of cynaogen gas to kill rats.

The Executive Health Officer assured that there was no cause for panic or anxiety, and that the infection has been localised.

I. N. A. OFFICERS TO NOTE

All persons who were trained and graduated from the INA Officers Training Schools. Officers and N.C.Os. of the Rani of Jhansi Regiment should communicate the following immediately to the Central INA Office, 82 Daryaganj, Delhi:—

Full name, father's name, address, date of birth, educational qualifications, whether they wish to be employed for military training in India, where and how employed now, date of graduation in the case of O. T. S. Officers.

Karnataki Music Research Scholar

Mr. R. Ranga Ramanuja Iyengar, the well-known Karnataki music research scholar and author of "Kirtimanimala' notating Saint Thyagaraja's compositions is in Bombay on a short visit. Those interested in Karnataki music can meet him in the morning between 8 and 9 at Hazare Bhavan Telang Cross Road, Matunga (G.I.P.)

EAST PUNJAB CAPITAL SITE

SIMLA, March 24, (A.P.I.): The permanent capitl of the East Punjab will be located in revenue estates comprising 371 square miles in Kharar tehsil of Ambala District, the Associated Press of India Learns.

Denmark Beat England 6-1

Badminton International

COPENHAGEN, March 24 (Reuter): Denmark beat England by six matches to one in the first badminton international between the two countries since 1934, played here last night.

England's only success came when Mrs. H. Uber and Miss Q. Allen beat Mrs. T. Ahm and Miss K. Thorndahl 15/2, 15/10 thus avenging their defeat by the Danish pair in the ladies doubles final of the recent all-England championships.

U. P. A. Cricket Shield Tournament—1948

The following are the results of the Second Annual Cricket Shield Tournament organised by the United Parsi Association, for Parsi Colonies and allied localities:

Thana Parsi Club 113 (F. Daruwalla 35, K. Daruwalla 25) beat Navrose Baug at (B. Mistry 52), Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrians 173 for 4 Wkts. declared (H. Bilpoodiwalla 81, H. Mirza 44) beat Dadar Sporting C.C. 152 (Engineer 38, K. Mody 6 for 56); Mahim Parsi Colony 99 for 7 (K. N. Mowdawala 24) beat Punchgani Old Boys 76 (B. N. Mowdawalla 7 for 20); Bhiwandiwalla Sports Club 62 for 3 (R. Dalal 26 not out) beat Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrians 'B' 59 (Siganporia 4 for 15 and Punthaki 4 for 4); Tata Colony 233 (B. Daruwala 102) beat Fort Welfare Centre 72; Wadia-Kashinath Colony 81 for 1 (E. Billimoria 54 not out) beat Cusrow Baug 'B' 64 (Billimoria 4 for 16); Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrians 'A' 181 (H. Khambatta 60 and H. Bilpoodiwala 52) beat Mahim Parsis 66 (Kanga 44); Tata Colony 127 (B. Daruwalla 60, J. P. Shastri 8 for 36) beat Bhiwandiwalla Sports Club 101 (R. Dalal 39, B. Daruwala 6 for 43 and F. Pavri 4 for 18); Cusrow Baug 'A' beat Wadia-Kashinath Colony; Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrian 'A' 179 for 3 Months 100 retired, Doctor 47 not out) beat Thana Parsis 66 (E. Doctor 6 for 13); Tata Colony 81 for 2 (B. Daruwala 43 not out) beat Cusrow Baug 'A' 76 (F. Pavri 4 for 8.)

The final will be played to a finish between Dadar Parsi Colony Zoroastrians 'A' (Holders) and Tata Colony on 25th and 26th.

Govt. Employees To Go On Hunger-Strike

CALCUTTA, March 24, (UPI): It is learnt that the Government of India employees in Calcutta have decided to go on hunger-strike from April 2 at the different offices to support their demand for "no retrenchment."

A large number of employees with posters and festoons took out a procession last afternoon and held a meeting.

Jodhpur Railwaymen Not To Strike

NEW DELHI, Mar. 24, (API): The Strike on the Jodhpur Railways, of which notice had recently been given, will not take place now, it was revealed here by Mr. Jai Narain Vyas, Prime Minister of Jodhpur.

Mr. Vyas, who is in Delhi said that he had accepted the demands put forward by the Railway workers and had decided to increase the railway budget by Rs. 20 lakhs for that purpose.

Wanted Club For Sind Sportsmen

On account of partition of India many Hindu families were compelled to leave Sind permanently and along with them have also come several Hindu cricketers to stay in Bombay. As the necessity of establishing a Sports Club for these players is sadly felt, Mr. Jagannath. V. Dalvi, who was the Secretary of R. G. M. Hindu Gymkhana in Karachi for all outdoor sports for a number of years is contemplating to start a club for the Hindu sportsmen of Sind and with this object in view he has arranged a cricket match with Dadar Hindu Gymkhana on Shivaji Park, on Thursday the 25th instant commencing at 11 A. M. so as to enable the players who are scattered about in Greater Bombay and its suburbs to meet at a common place. There are several cricketers who have represented Sind in the Ranji Trophy Tournaments and sympathy and encouragement from Gymkhanas and Sports Clubs in Bombay will be very much appreciated.

The two teams to play are as follows:— J. V. Dalvi (Captain). Parsram J, Asha Mirchandani, Dipchand; Bhicajee; B. S. Patkar; Pamanmal; Jamnadas; Hemandas; Chiman; Devchand; Samtani. Ingle Hazare.

S. R. Godambe (Captain). G. K. Keluskar; M. S. Patil; B. K. Garudachar; M. S. Pednekar; R. S. Godambe M. S. Edekar; V. L. Marketkar; C. S. Koregoakar; A. S. Vaidya; V. M. Bhatkar. R. V. Terdalkar; L. S. Padwal; K. M. Pasta.

PORTRAIT OF MAHATMA GANDHI

Mahama Gandhi's large portrait in oils was very recently unveiled in the Board Room of the Bombay Port Trust by the Hon'ble Mr. Morarji Desai before a distinguished gathering. The portrait is presented to the Board Room by Mr. Panalal M. Chinai, a Trustee of the Port representing the Municipal Corporation of Bombay and is painted by the well-known Bombay artist Mr. J. A. Lalkaka. The artist was congratulated by Mr. Morarji Desai, and the Chairman and the Chief Engineer, Bombay Port Trust and others for his fine portrait of Mahatma.

NEW DELHI, March 24. (U. P. I.): The Government of India, it is learnt, have decided to withdraw the existing control over the distribution of yarn with effect from April 15 next. The Government have addressed communication to all Provincial Governments intimating their decision.

POLICE FIRE ON TRAIN DACOITS

Engine-Driver Arrested

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Armed constables headed by Inspector Walunju and sub-inspector Frederick of G.I.P. Railway Police rushed early on Wednesday morning to round up a gang of suspected dacoits who had planned to loot a goods train at Mulund. Inspector Walunju fired a shot and injured one of the men, who tried to pelt a heavy stone at him. The man was, however, injured and promptly arrested. G. B. Sawant, an engine-driver was also arrested by the police.

Inspector Walunju is proceeding with the enquiry to unearth the whole gang.

Kher Visits Disabled Children's Centre

BOMBAY, Wednesday

Mr. B. G. Kher Premier of Bombay when visited the Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Centre run by the Society for the Rehabilitation of Disabled and Crippled children this morning at Marine Drive, remarked that the State ought to take care of them.

Mr. Kher was touched by the sight the patients suffering from infantile paralysis.

He related the case of his son who was suffering from hymiplegia disabling his leg and hand. He said that after 24 years his leg had been cured and his arm is still receiving treatments.

The Premier told the organisers of the Centre that patience, preseverence and support of the Government could improve the lot of these unfortunate children. He inspected the Centre and talked with the children. He asked the parents of the children the case histories of the patients.

Mr. Kher was welcomed by Dr. George Coelo, Chairman of the Society Dr. Ketkar, Dr. (Mrs.) Goolbano Premji Hon. Treasurer and Mr. F. Ismail who took the Premier round the place.

The Centre was opened in July 1947 by Dr. Jivraj Mehta and gives treatment to paralysed children. They give the massage, muscle training and re-educational exrcise and electric treatments to the patients. About 48 children are taking advantage of the Centre. Five masseurs who were formerly working with the Army, are giving massage and muscle theatment to the children and seven honorary docters attend to the Centre once in a week. The Society also runs a van loaned by the Cosmopolitan Division of St. John's Ambulance Brigade for the conveyance of the children.

The Governor of Bombay will visit the Centre in April.

Bombay Premier Sees 'Ahinsa'

Prime Minister B. G. Kher accompanied by Home Minister Morarji Desai and other ministers of Bombay visited the Novelty Cinema on Sunday last to see Kashmir Films' "Ahinsa." They were received by Mr. Kooka of Novelty Cinema, Producer-star Navin Yagnik, and the Executives of Kashmir Films and United Film Syndicate. The Ministers watched the film with thrill and joy, because the picture mirrored truly the struggle of the Nation, so authentic in its dramatization and so naked in its realism. The Ministers congratulated the makers of "Ahinsa". The picture is running in the 12th week at Novelty (BOMBAY) and 3rd week at Deccan (POONA).

KHER FOR AHMEDABAD

Mr. B. G. Kher, Premier of Bombay, will leave for Ahmedabad on Thursday evening (March 25). He will halt at Ahmedabad for a day and thereafter proceed on a tour in the Kaira District. He will return to Bombay on Monday morning (March 29.)

NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE COMPLETES 21 YEARS

Appeal For Funds For Social And Cultural Activities

The Nagpada Neighbourhood House has just completed its Twenty-first Year of Work. During the twenty-one years of its existence the Neighbourhood House has become firmly established and widely recognised as an outstanding example of social work. It ministered during the year to 2,55,509 or over 700 people everyday of every caste and creed. It provided medical care for 30,092 women and children; education for 260 children, young and old people; and recreation for 2,25,350 people through its 92 regular weekly appointments.

This unique social and cultural centre has to its credit a multiplicity of activities. Some of them are adult education classes for women, nursery classes for children in which light lunch is supplied free, typing classes and women's classes in embroidery, sewing, and leather work.

Besides these, the physical welfare of the young people who avail of the organisation, is not neglected, as evidenced by the number of indoor and outdoor games, boxing, matches etc., which are a regular feature of the Neighbourhood House.

It also conducts an uptodate free reading room.

The Neighbourhood House, depends entirely on public donations for its upkeep, and as such its director's appeal for generous contributions from the public, deserves sympathetic response.

The Nagpada Neighbourhood House is entirely non-communal, its aim being, to provide a common meeting ground for all castes and communities in the city.

EGYPT RECOGNISES IMAM AHMED AS KING OF YEMEN

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The Consul for Egypt in Bombay states that the Royal Egyptian Government have recognised His Majesty Imam Ahmed as the King of Yemen.

GIVE JOBS TO REFUGEES

Bombay Govt's Appeal To Employers

BOMBAY Tuesday

The problem of finding employment for refugees from Pakistan is becoming more and more pressing with the continuous flow of persons displaced from there into this Province. A large number of the refugees are from urban areas where they were engaged in trades and professions suitable to local conditions. Certain measures have already been taken to facilitate absorption of such refugees both in Government service and in private employment. It is, however, felt that much more can be done in this matter with public co-operation. An appeal is accordingly made by the Government on behalf of the refugees to all employers of staff engaged in any trade, commerce, industry or profession, connected with any institutions, to do all in their power to assist in rehabilitation of the refugees by absorbing as many of them as possible in suitable employments.

Labour Minister Opens Canteen At Kurla

"It is no use stressing the need to produce more without recognising the right of labour to share the fruits of their industry. The idea of reaping as much profits as possible without providing adequately for the well-being of the employees has now become old and the sooner the industrialists discard it, the better for them and for the country as a whole": thus observed Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Minister for Labour and Housing, Government of Bombay, while performing the opening ceremony of a canteen for the employees of the Kamani Group of Industries at Kurla on Tuesday.

Mr. Nanda also opened a dispensary for labourers.

Raj Ratna R. A. Kamani, Chairman of the Kamani Group of Industries, welcoming the Labour Minister, recognised the need of maintaining the Industrial Truce in the interests of both capital and labour and the country in general.

Sheth Dawoodbhai Haji Nasar, requesting Mr. Nanda to open the canteen, stated: "Bombay is fortunate in having a Labour Minister who has a broad vision to see to the interest of the Industry which comprises both labour and capital. I would like to call him Industries Minister rather than Labour Minister".

Mr. Nanda was shown round the various departments including the research section of the establishment. He evinced keen interest in the work that was being carried on there.

GWALIOR, March 24, (API): Gwalior will follow the policy of the Indian National Congress in the work of national reconstruction and co-operate with the States Ministry, said Mr. Laladhar Joshi, Chief Minister speaking here at the opening ceremony of Nayabind", a Hindi daily.

HEALTH OF BOMBAY FOR WEEK ENDED MARCH 20

The mortality 740 was less than in the preceding week and the death-rate registered was 25.8 on the census population of 1941 as against 577 and 20.1 deaths and death-rate respectively for the 12th week of 1947.

Cholera was absent during the week Plague caused four attacks and 2 deaths. Small-pox caused 29 attacks (including 3 imported, one each from Kathiawar, Azamgarh and Malabar) and 5 deaths. There were 19 attacks (including 5 imported one each from Karachi, Thana, Chembur, Manglore, and Ghatkopar) and 5 deaths from Typhoid fever.

Payment To Passage Brokers

Complaints have been received from the passengers going overseas, alleging that certain passage brokers in Bombay extort money from them on the plea of obtaining for them yellow fever inoculation certificates, endorsement on passports, passages, etc.

A passport and passage broker is prohibited from recovering any amount in excess of the scheduled charges for a passage ticket, passport etc. where these are obtained by him for the passengers. Passage brokers are licensed by the Protector of Emigrants, Bombay for assisting emigrants. They are only entitled to a reasonable remuneration for their services. Taking into account all the relevant factors, the Government of India has fixed a maximum charge for all services rendered, of Rs. 30 for an individual and Rs. 50, if accompanied by a family.

The Protectors of Emigrants are empowered to cancel the lincenses of passage brokers for misconduct. Any passage broker who makes extortionate charges from the passengers will be liable to cancellation of his license. All such cases may be brought to the notice of the Protector of Emigrants, Bombay, by the aggrieved passengers.

GOVT. ORDER ON "MILLAT"

Under the Bombay Public Security Measures Act. 1947, the Government of Bombay has issued orders against the editor printer and publisher of the "Millat," a Gujarati weekly of Bombay and the keeper of the press at which it is printed, restraining them from printing and publishing for a period of four weeks any matter bearing directly or indirectly on the communal situation or on any communal question or on questions concerning relations between India and Pakistan.

ENCOURAGING BUILDING ACTIVITIES

New Storeys On Existing Buildings Allowed

On reviewing the housing problem recently, the Government of Bombay finds that, in spite of the measures taken, the dearth all accommodation continues. It has, therefore, been decided that all possible further measures should be taken to develop building activities in the City and the Bombay Suburban District by encouraging private efforts by removal or relaxation of the existing restrictions on height of buildings and the number of storeys to the existing buildings on plots in the Back Bay Reclamation and in Malabar and Cumballa Hill areas and other places in the City of Bombay and also the Bombay Suburban District. Says the Director of Publicity, Government of Bombay.

It has, therefore, been decided to permit the construction of an additional storey in the areas referred to above in the City of Bombay. Similarly, in the Bombay Suburban District where only ground and one storey are allowed, an additional storey may be permitted. The concession would apply to the existing buildings as well as the new ones, provided the additional storey is constructed within five years from the date of these orders.

The permission to construct an additional storey is, however, subject to the condition that the existing municipal bye-laws in the City and in the Bombay Suburban District are not infringed.

No additional ground rent nor additional non-agricultural assessment will be charged for permitting construction of an additional storey, provided the property owners complete the construction of an additional storey within five years from now.

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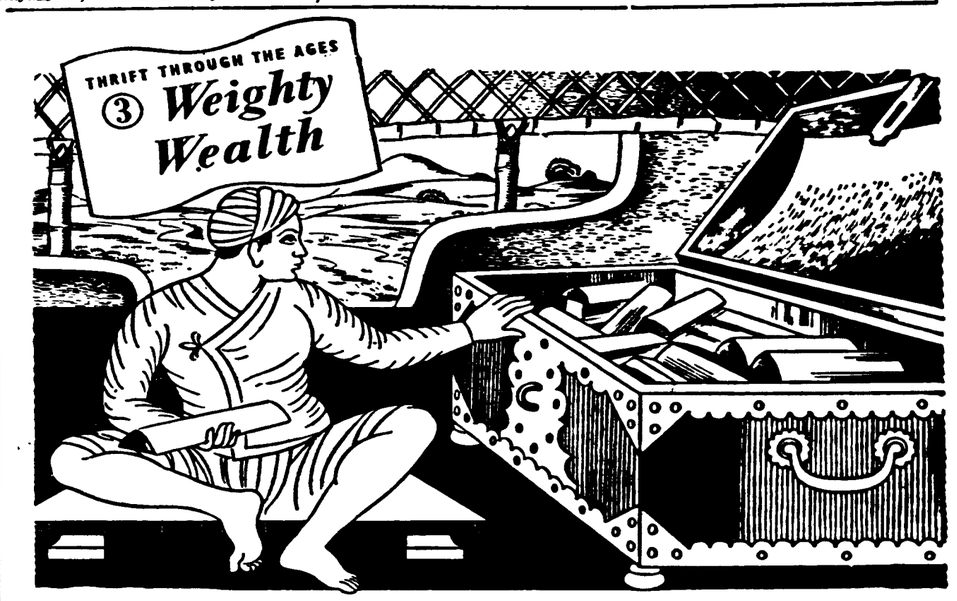

From simple barter to token money—Goats etc., was a big step forward in man's search for a satisfactory medium of exchange, but the "goat money" was not very popular All goats were not alike. The exchange value of a skinny and shaggy flock soon became a problem. Disease often decimated wealth. New developments in commerce forced man, ever inventive, to find a better money. The choice fell on METALS, non-perishable, certainly more uniform. Henceforth all transactions were carried out in terms of bars or ingots of iron, copper, lead, etc.

For his daily purchases a man had to carry about large bars or ingots of some metal or other. Saving for the future, therefore, consisted of hoarding metals. The rich were truly weighed down by the weight of their wealth! Increased activity in mining ore often reduced the value of money and the profiteers tampered with the purity of the metals.

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To-day

Hindu: Falgun Shud 15, 2004.
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Sunrise 6-39 a.m., Sunset 18-51 p.m.
Hightide —, 12-18, Lowtide 06-08, 18-18.

To-day's Engagements

SRI GAUDIYA MATH: The 461st Advent Anniversary of Sri Krishna Chaitanya Mahaprabhu will be celebrated today (Thursday) at Sri Gaudiya Math, Gowalia Tank Road, Samkirtan, lecture in English, Arasikam and lecture in Hindi will continue from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.

MALAYALEE SAMAJAM, LALBAUG: First anniversary of the Samajam will be held today (Thursday) at 3 p.m. Saraswati High School Hall (near Lalbaug Tram Junction). Mr. M. Kumaran will preside. Mrs. Chinnama Antony, and Mr. Joseph Kurian will speak. There will be a drama "Achan."

KARNATAKA VEERA VYAYAM SHALA: Physical Culture Show at C. J. Hall today at 4 p.m. The entire proceeds of the Show will go towards the betterment of our Institution.

BRAINS TRUST: Special Session, at the Y.M.C.A., 12 Wodehouse Rd., at 6.15 p.m. today (Thursday) Panel: Sir Francis Low, Kt (Q.M.) Mrs. R. M. Captain; Dr. Gopal-Ayyengar, Dr. S. G. Panandikar, Dr. Mata Prasad and Mr. P. R. Lele. At the end a presentation will be made to Sir Francis Low, the retiring President of the Bombay Y.M.C.A. on behalf of the members.

SIND HINDU SEVA SAMITI: Mr. Nanik G. Motwane, General Secretary Sind Hindu Seva Samiti, writes We are grateful to Shri Balasaheb Kher, Premier of Bombay, for having kindly provided every convenience and comfort for the Matriculation refugee students who have come down to Bombay from all parts of India to appear at the Matriculation Examination.

TOWARDS TOTAL PROHIBITION

In furtherance of its Excise policy of total prohibition the Government of Bombay has sanctioned the closure of 135 country liquor shops in the Province and 11 toddy shops and 75 tree foot booths in the Ratnagari District from April 1.

ANTHROPOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF BOMBAY: At the sixty-second annual general meeting of the Society of Bombay held under the presidentship of Mr. K. A. Padhye at the Royal Asiatic Society's Hall on Wednesday evening following new office bearers were elected.

Sir Rustam Masani—President, Dr. G. S. Gurye and Mr. K. A. Padhye vice-presidents and Mr. R. K. Prabhu Hon. General Secretary.

The meeting also elected a committe consisting 10 members.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY—1

BOMBAY, March 25

244 m.—(1,231 kc/s) 7-30 a.m. G. V. Sant Bhairaon on Shahanai 7-40 News in (M) 7-50 News in (G) 8-0 News in (E) 8-15 News in Hindustani 8-30 G. V. Sant Colaba Time Signal at 8-45 a.m. 8-45 Shankarrao Golatkar and Party 9-0 C. V. Pant Vaidya Vocal Music 10- Close Down.

11-0 a.m. "Screen Songs" 11-30 Shankarrao Golatkar and Party Abhang aur Gavlan 12-0 Vanita Mandal Programme in Marathi for women 12-45 News in (M) 12-50 News in (G) 12-55 C. V. Pant Vaidya Vocal Music 1-25 News in (H) 1-30 News in (E) 1-40 Serge Koussevitzky and The Boston Symphony Orchestra 2-30 Close Down.

4-20 R. V. Ashtekar Eri Nanaurd Shree Eri hun to as 5-0 Violin Par Khamaj By Eknath Prabhu 5-15 Music 5-45 News in (K) 6-0 News in (E) 6-10 News in (H) 6-15 Audabai Sangekar Gauri 6-45 Narayandas Jekisands and Party 7-0 Topic of The Day 7-0 Local Announcements and Weather Report 7-15 R. V. Ashtekar Purvi 7-30 Pustak Parichaya By Gulabdas Broker 7-45 Abhang 8-0 News in (M) 8-15 News in (G) 8-30 Asabyachi Holi A feature in Marathi written by Anant Kanekar 9-0 News in (E) 9-15 News in Hindustani 9-30 BBC News Relay 9-40 Musical Interlude 9-45 Sports Review Talk in English by R.I. D'Avoine 10-0 "Macbeth".

41.44 m.—(7,240 kc/s) 7-30 to 7-40 As In Bombay—1 7-40 Hori Juthika Roy Bai Rasoolan Bai Saraswati Rane Mallika Pukharaj Ameerbai Karnataki Sheela Tembe Thmri 8-30 to 10-0 As In Bombay—1 10-0 Close Down.

31.41 m.—(9,550 kc/s) 11-0 to 2-30 p.m. As In Bombay—1 2-30 p.m. Close Down.

41.44 m.—(7,240 kc/s) 4-20 to 5-45 As In Bombay—1 5-45 Lavni "Houni mushfir" Sundara Manmadhe bharati —Sung by A.I.R. artist 6-0 to 6-15 As In Bombay—1 6-15 Calling Rural Listeners 7-15 Interval

61.48 m.—(4,880 kc/s) 7-30 to 7-45 As In Bombay—1 7-45 B. S. Yellapurser Kannad Bhajan 8-0 "Chhotaam Ni Vani" 8-15 Air Chorus Party 8-30 to 9-0 As In Bombay—1 9-0 Shivkumar Shukla 9-40 to 10-0 As In Bombay—1 10-0 Audabai Sangekar 10-30 Shivkumar Shukla 11-0 Close down.

MACBETH ON A.I.R.

Shakespeare's "Macbeth" which has been prescribed as text book for the University examination of the Bombay University has been adapted for the radio by Prof. R. Choksi. The radio version which runs into one hour will be broadcast by All India Radio, Bombay today Thursday at 10 p.m. on 244 metres. The play is being produced by Adi Murzban.

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5TH WEEK IN BOMBAY

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Security Bill Becomes Law

The Governor of Bombay has signified his assent to the Bombay Public Security Measures (Amendment) Bill, 1948, which has now become law and has been published in the Bombay Government Gazette of March 24.

Gen. Mohan Singh And Col. Dhillon To Arrive Today

I. N. A. heroes Gen. Mohan Singh and Col. G. S. Dhillon will arrive in the city today at 10-35 a.m. On behalf of the BPCC a public reception has been arranged in their honour at the Central Station. All are cordially invited. Volunteers are required to be on duty at 10 a.m.

At 6 in the evening, there will be a public meeting at Chaupatty under the auspices of the BPCC. Shri S. K. Patil, President of the BPCC will preside and the two distinguished visitors will address.

195 CASES OF ILLICIT LIQUOR DETECTED

The Prohibition Department picked up 195 cases arrested 120 persons and seized 108 gallons of illicit liquor and 5.693 gallons of wash as a result of the raids carried out during the week ending March 18, in Greater Bombay.

EGYPT RECOGNITION TO NEW KING OF YEMEN

BOMBAY March 24, (U.P.I.):

The Council for Egypt in Bombay, in a press note, issued today, says that the Royal Egyptian Government have recognised His Majesty Imam Ahmed as the King of Yemen.

SALE OF ARMS ORDER EXTENDED

The order banning the sale of arms and ammunition to any licence holder without a special permit from the District Magistrate has been extended for a further period of two months from April 2, in the Surat District.

AHMEDABAD MILL DISPUTE REFERRED TO INDUSTRIAL COURT

The dispute between the Textile Labour Association, Ahmedabad and the Ahmedabad Millowner's Association, Ahmedabad, in respect of the demand for the ten days' holidays with pay or an equal amount in cash, for all employees working in the local cotton textile mills has been referrd by the Government of Bombay for the arbitration of the Industrial Court.

SERICULTURE MODEL FARMS

The Government of Bombay has approved a proposal to open four model farms for the development of sericulture industry at Belsad Bagewadi and Arbhavi in the Belgaum District and Kallapur and Hirekerur in the Dharwar District.

CORONERS BILL BECOMES LAW

The Governor of Bombay has assented to the Coroners (Bombay Amendment) Bill, 1948 and also to the Identification of Prisoners (Bombay Amendment) Bill 1948 which have now become laws and have been published in the Bombay Government Gazette of March 24.

BIG POSTAL ROBBERY IN HIROSHIMA

TOKYO, March 24, (Reuter): Atom-bombed Hiroshima city had its first big post-war robbery early today when five gunmen escaped with 4,000,000 yen in cash from the Central Post Office. They bound and gagged two night guards and walked off with two large boxes containing tax money collected from Hiroshima citizens.

FIVE KILLED BY HUR DACOITS

KARACHI, March 24, (A.P.I.): Rahim Hingoro, notorious Hur outlaw, is reported to have reappeared with his gang and is stated to have committed a dacoity in the village of Tar Hath, near Khipro in Tharparkar district, in which five persons were killed and three persons were kidnapped early last week.

INDIAN CHAMBERS' FEDERATION

NEW DELHI, March 24, (A.P.I.): The twenty-first annual session of the Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry will be held at New Delhi, on March 28 and 29.

Mr. M. A. Master, President of the Federation, will preside. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister of India, will inaugurate the proceedings.

SRI PRAKASA TO TOUR EAST PAKISTAN

KARACHI, March 24, (A.P.I.): The Indian High Commissioner in Pakistan Mr. Sri Prakasa, is expected to leave Karachi during the first week of April for Dacca on a tenday tour of East Bengal.

On his way back to Karachi, after tour, Mr. Sri Prakasa will break journey at New Delhi.

NO MORE MILITARY SECRETARY TO BOMBAY GOVERNOR

The Governor of Bombay has decided that from April 1, 1948 the post of the Military Secretary to the Governor should be replaced by that of the Comptroller, Governor's Household and has appointed Mr. K. T. Satarawala to hold this post.

GOVERNOR REGRETS

His Excellency the Governor of Bombay greatly regrets any inconvenience caused during his stay in Ahmedabad and Nadiad to the public with regard to the booking of goods. He came to know of this only at Nadiad. He will see that such delay does not recur.

His Excellency is very anxious that his tours should not cause unnecessary inconvenience or expense.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE NEWS

BOMBAY, Wednesday:

The Governor of Bombay and Rani Maharaj Singh returned from tour.

Rani Maharaj Singh attended a Farewell "At Home" for Lady Low, given by the National Indian Association, at Lady Jeejeebhoy's residence, Ridge Road.

His Excellency received Mr. Rai.

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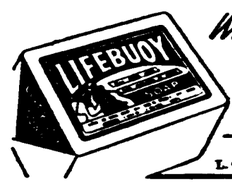

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, March 24. (A. P. I.): The following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches for the past 24 hours and from 1st November 1947 and departure from normal recorded at 08-00 hours (I. S. T.), on 24th March, 1948:—

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WEATHER SUMMARY.

The following is the weather summary for Wednesday, March 24, 1948:—

Thundershowers have occurred locally in Assam and at a few stations in south-west Bengal, Orissa, in and near Chota Nagpur and in north Hyderabad.

FORECAST UNTIL THE 25TH EVENING: Thundershowers will occur locally in the region from the north-east Central Provinces and Orissa to Assam and at a few stations in Bihar Kashmir and in the extreme south of the Peninsula.

No marked change in day temperatures is expected.

'Quake Rocks Batavia

BATAVIA, March 24, (Reuter): Buildings swayed but no damage was reported when an earthquake shook Batavia at 06-25 (B. S. T.), today.

The shock was too great for seismographs at Batavia's Geophysics Bureau to record it properly, but it was believed that the centre was not more than 300 miles away.

Geophysics Bureau said the earthquake "possibly might of serious".

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

My ideal newspaper would be the servant of the public, to whose welfare alone it would scknowledge allegiance, albeit without the misguided sycophancy that flatters an imaginary public and assumes that readers "would not stand" plain speaking. A faithful servant tells his master the truth.

—WICKHAM STEED

The Bombay Chronicle

DANGERS OF BERLIN

The Powers whose duty and privilege it should have been to lead the world into an age of peace and co-operative prosperity are rapidly pushing it with their moves and counter-moves to the brink of destruction and chaos. No day passes without making a further and increasingly serious contribution to the speed and strength of this push. Trieste is already a bad enough danger spot —incidentally, the Western Powers have followed up their hercic offers with yet another hint involving a revival of their earlier move, then practically vetoed by the Soviet Union, to get Italy into the United Nations Organisation. It may lead to grave developments any day. For instance, there is always the possibility of Anglo-American troops on the one hand or Yugoslav troops on the other marching into the other zone. The situation is so tense and charged with mutual antagonism and suspicion that the smallest things, even rumours, can become a provocation. But trouble in Trieste, if it does arise before the Italian elections, pending which every party would like to hold its hand, can possibly be localised.

There is, however, another development, which is fraught with far graver and wider dangers. It is, of course, the suspension by the Russians of the Big Four German Control Council in Berlin. Beyond an unofficial hint that the Russians regard Allied co-operation in control over Germany as over, no indication has so far been given of their future attitude. The British have countered with a boycott of all subsidiary organs of the Allied Control Council forcing a complete deadlock from top to bottom. The idea is reported to be to bring the Russians out into the open by this means. Whether the Russians oblige or not, it is clear that the Allies have decisively split over Germany as over everything else and that the division of that unfortunate country into two, territorially politically and economically, is presently going to be finalised. But that has, for all practical purposes, been the position for a long time now. The seriousness of the new development lies immediately in the peculiar position of Berlin and its potentialities.

Berlin territorially is situated in the Soviet zone of Germany. But being the capital and "a factual symbol of the unity of Germany," it has hitherto been under Big Four occupation, divided into separate sectors but administered theoretically by a joint Allied Kommandatura. What happens to Berlin if the Allied split is forced? According to a Washington report the United States State Department officials frankly acknowledge that the American authorities in Berlin would be in a "vulnerable position" if the Russian authorities there demanded the Western Allies to withdraw from Berlin. On the other hand, "it is believed... that the British, French and American authorities are unanimous in their desire to stay on in Berlin, even if the Four-Power machinery breaks down. They regard their presence there as a factual symbol of the unity of Germany, desired by all." What happens in case of, on the one hand a Russian demand for withdrawal of the Western Allies from Berlin and on the other, its rejection by the latter? Berlin represents the danger of a head-on collision between the Big Powers directly.

Frankly Speaking

Momentous Conference

The international situation is getting so supercharged with the imminence of almost a global explosion and so much is talked and shouted about it that paradoxically, hope of peace lies mainly in these very serious factors. The very imminence of war may prove a deterrent. Public opinion in the countries principally concerned can help. And the lead can certainly be given by the press and other organs of publicity and information. At Geneva there has begun the United Nations Conference on Freedom of information and the Press. Five hundred delegates of fifty three nations have assembled under the double burden of a sense of approaching tragedy and of the consciousness of their own heavy responsibilities. These responsibilities can be discharged if the bearers o them are allowed the necessary conditions and facilities and if they approach their job with integrity and single-mindedness.

Main Task

The Assistant. Secretary-General of the United Nations, who opened the conference insisted that the true "picture of world events" was "far from a gloomy one." This is rather exaggerated. What is true, however, is that "the unanimous will of the people every where is for peace." Then why is it that there is so much hate and hysteria in the world developed now to the bursting point? So far as the Press is concerned, this is because the press in most countries of the world is neither free nor independent. It does not lead. It is led and has become one of the instruments for the pursuit and promotion of national greed and rivalry. There are reasons, of course, for this. National rivalries produce in the press too national patriotism. This could be checked if there is all round freedom of publicity and information and if this freedom is reciprocated. This is the main task of the Geneva Conference. "We are ", said General Romulo, the President "to forge a mighty weapon for the battle of peace." That mighty weapon can be forged as General Romulo suggested: "Forsaking temporary and precarious adjustments which sustain our uneasy peace, we are here to lay down basic principles and establish certain forms of conduct, which shall secure the benefits of freedom of information to all peoples or a long time to come" Yes, but will they all agree not only on basic principles but also on the application of those principles or will they be made to subserve separate rival interests and antagonisms to the complete denial and perversion of the principles themselves. The example of the United Nations Charter is there.

U. S. Retreat

The retreat by the United States on the issue of Palestine has naturally shocked the Zionists who talk big, as they cannot help doing, but realise the hopelessness of the situation for them. The retreat proves two interesting facts. It was the United States, which was the supporting stimulant to the aims and aspirations of Zionism. Secondly, the leaders of the United States were inspired by very much other than selfless motives in striking an altruistic and generously humanitarian attitude at the expense of the Arabs. An American Zionist leader has accused that Washington has now been influenced by oil interests. He forgets the interests that influenced earlier American policy. He naturally cannot confess them. The Arabs are under no illusion regarding either. But Washington has, whatever the reasons, done the right and just thing now although it has been done very late. Certain unfortunate consequences of this belatedness cannot be avoided. But far worse things would have happened otherwise.

The Last Matric Exam.

Sir.—I think I am voicing the feelings of thousands of candidates when I say that the last matriculation examination was no fair examination.

The first and the foremost thing was that almost each and every paper was received half an hour late and sometimes even more. The result was that many a time it happened that darkness ruled over the examination halls when the pupils were answering their papers. Some were lucky enough to get electric light while the others had to suffer in darkness.

In the Chemistry paper there were some questions which were even out at the prescribed course. In Physics there were many examples to be solved while few questions were asked on the theory which forms an important part of the subject.

In the Algebra paper there were many errors and mistakes which made the candidates nervous.

It is hoped that the authorities will take due notice of all these defects and will give proper and necessary consideration for the same while examining the papers and thus do justice to all concerned. They should keep in mind the fact that Matriculation examination is an examination which decides the future of many promising youths.—Yours, etc.

"A VICTIM".

CALCUTTA, March 24 (API): Seven bombs and six revolver cartridges are alleged to have been recovered this morning by the Special Branch police from an open plot of land in the South—Eastern suburb of Calcutta.

No Major Conflict In Near Future

Marshal Songkram On Trend Of Events In Asia

BANGKOK, March 24 (Reuter): Marshal Pibul Songkram, Siam's "strong man" who led a coup d'etat last November, told Reuter today he considered all Asia was heading towards "protracted and virulent class warfare."

Marshall Songkram placed himself at the head of a military council and appointed a new Cabinet after the coup. A few days later, he resigned the Supreme Command, declaring his task was done.

Marshal Songkram said the causes of the coming conflict were three post-war developments— Communist propaganda, Communist infiltration into Asian freedom movements and widespread poverty and disruption resulting from the second world war.

He viewed the present international situation with "grave anxiety and fear".

He stressed the importance of Siam's position as "the hub of South-East Asia", which made the talk extremely delicate in the fast developing power conflict in that part of the world.

Marshal Songkram discounted the possibility of armed conflict between the major powers in the near future.

"I do not see any major armed conflict approaching. Out of this warfare of ideologies—warfare of the classes, is a potential menace to human society," he declared.

"The next war, when it comes, will not be a war of atomic bombs. It will be a gigantic war of propaganda and fifth columnists."

Nehru-Liaquat Appeal

KARACHI, March 23, (A.P.I.): The following joint statement has been issued by the Prime Ministers of India and Pakistan.

The Prime Ministers of India and Pakistan wish to take the opportunity of their meeting on March 19 to reiterate simply and clearly the policies of their respective Governments, towards minority communities in their respective territories.

Both Governments hope and trust that minority communities will remain in their homes. Indeed, they are anxious that they should do so. They intend to do their utmost to help members of minority communities to stay. They are convinced that this is in the best interests of all concerned.

This does not mean that the Governments intend to put any obstacle in the way of those who, of their own will, decide to migrate from one Dominion to the other.

"No Iron Curtain", Says Panyunshkin

NEW YORK, March 24 (Reuter): Eleven times in a 1,600-word speech M. Alexander Panyunshkin, Russian ambassador to the United States, last night repeated that Russia wants to live at peace with the United States and the world.

He denied that an "iron curtain" exists, saying that forces of "international reaction" have lowered this curtain to conceal beyond it the truth about the Soviet Union.

GOVT.'S ACTION AGAINST MARATHI DAILY

Under the Bombay Public Security Measures Act, 1947, the Governor of Bombay has issued orders against the editor, printer and publisher of the "Neta", a Marathi daily published at Kupwad in the Satara District and the keeper of the press at which it is printed, restraining them from printing and publishing, till May 15, 1948, any matter bearing directly or indirectly on any civil disturbances in any part of India or any Indian State.

The Political Scene In Maharashtra

Communal Scramble For Power

(By A Special Correspondent)

The proceedings of the recent meeting of the Maharashtra Provincial Congress Committee clearly bring into relief the intrigues and manoeuvres of certain unscrupulous power-political groups to misrepresent and discredit the Congress Ministry in this province. Fortunately, the vision and tactful handling of the situation of Shri N. V. Gadgil and other Congress leaders dealt a shattering blow to the disruptive and power-political elements and their plans and designs.

Various power groups and elements in Maharashtra have tried, during the last few weeks, to capitalize the disturbances that followed Gandhiji's assassination for their power political aims. A member of the M.P.C.C. even went to the extent of moving a resolution that sought to censure the Bombay Premier and Home Minister over what is known as the Bhaurao Patil controversy and the President of the M.P.C.C., Mr. Keshavrao Jedhe himself introduced considerable heat with his personal and certainly unjustifiable attack on Premier Kher.

It appeared indeed at one time that the Committee was being sidetracked into discussions animated by irrelevant issues and personal feeling; but happily the Committee steered clear of the danger and took decisions that must exert considerable influence on the situation of confusion that is being deliberately created by certain irresponsible elements. Those not familiar with the general situation, psychology and background and setup of Maharashtra's politics are likely to be misled by the proceedings of the M.P.C.C. meeting into the belief that serious dissensions amongst the people and Congress leadership of Maharashtra exist and have been intensified by recent events.

MIND OF MASSES

As a matter of fact, the proceedings of the M.P.C.C. meeting do not mirror the political and popular tendencies and mind of Maharashtra. As the MPCC's decision makes it clear the disturbances that have become the focal point of controversy were the logical outcome of the irrepressibly popular anger against the pan-Hindu communalism and its politics of provocation.

The shock of Mahatmaji's death, with its special circumstances and identity of the alleged assassin, 'monster Nathuram', produced a wave of anger that inevitably broke into acts of violence and 'reprisals' against a section of the population associated with the organized and poisonous propaganda of the Hindu communalists. It was a typical spectacle of mass-hysteria and the outburst, as normally happens, has not only ebbed out, but has even produced the 'guilt complex'. In many places, the villagers who participated in the work of destruction are building up the houses they burnt out and, when Shri Morarji Desai toured Satara district and lashed the villagers, they took the licking in a spirit of manliness and genuine repentence.

The detailed reports from the various places in the province where violence broke out clearly show that goondaism and political racketeering tried, with a measure of success, to exploit the situation. The Government had naturally to intervene and the Home Minister succeeded with his timely and tactful policy as well as personal tour in handling what appeared to be a critical situation. This is naturally resented by the professional and amateur goondas, including a number of politicos who feel themselves let down as the orgy of violence, loot and arson was effectively checked by the Government.

Ironically enough, the disturbances in Maharashtra testified to the fact that no province in India reacted to the shock of Mahatmaji's assassination more profoundly and also to the fact that the Hindu Sabha and other communalists who had always claimed a strong following in Maharashtra had had no such following. This has naturally perturbed and even demoralized the Hindu Sabha and communalist press, although that press is still trying to retrieve the situation by trying to create the impression that the Brahmin-Non-Brahmin controvesy is being revived. This press is carrying on a subtle, if systematic propaganda drive to give a false impression of internal dissensions amongst the various sections of the population and the Government.

POGROM AGAINST BRAHMINS

The Kher Ministry has been picked up as the target for criticism by both the communalists and the disgruntled power politics who had planned to use the situation to achieve their political aims. The fate of the censure move in the MPCC meeting clearly shows that both these elements have met their defeat in the first spectacular showdown. The scenes created in the MPCC meeting were a culmination of a sustained campaign of misrepresentation and even vilification of the Provincial Congress Ministry. The power-groups also chose the time of the recent disturbances in the Deccan to revive the so-called Brahmin-Non-Brahmin controversy and to press the claims of the non-Brahmin groups in a share-out of political power.

A careful study of the Marathi press reactions, so far as the newspapers promoting the propaganda of the communalist group are concerned, clearly shows that the communalists are exploiting this situation and no effort is being spared by this section of the press in creating false issues. The scare of Brahmin-baiting is one of these issues and the general impression given by the Marathi press is that Deccani Brahmins have been reduced to the position of the Jews under the Nazi regime in Germany. While it is possible that the mob fury was directed against the 'safaidposh' class of Brahmins in Maharashtra and no descrimination was made at some places between communalist Brahmins and Nationalist Brahmins, including a large number of loyal Congressmen with a brilliant record of service, it is not correct to assume that an anti-Brahmin pogrom had been or could ever be staged.

HELPING COMMUNALISTS

The history of the Brahmin-Non-Brahmin controversy in Maharashtra should show that the movement had mainly been inspired by the British rulers and was actually sponsored by British stooges. No movement based on hatred of a class or group could be sustained. Moreover, the leaders of the so-called Non-Brahmin movement had not been inspired by any idealism or selfless motives and the entire movement collapsed irretrievably. While some of the non-Brahmin power groups might well try to use the present day conditions to revive the movement, they can never succeed in doing it.

"INDIA'S ROAD TO NEW FUTURE"

A Dutch Comment

In a feature article "India's road to a new future the Netherlands daily "Nieuwsblad van het Zuiden" of 7 February 1948 warns its readers not to look at India through the eyes of a European and not to try and find an explanation of developments in India by comparing them with superficially similar developments in Europe.

Following is a free translation of further excerpts from this article:

"In writing about India an initial mistake is usually being made in looking at this in many respects mysterious country through the eyes of a European, and in looking for an explanation for developments by trying to compare them with similar developments over here.

Since a beginning, which goes back into the grey past, India's people are being engaged in a continuous struggle for life, against luxury and wealth, but also against a ruthlessly dynamical nature, against which all violent human energy is futile. In metaphorical language one could say that this dynamical nature in its surge is continually throwing back the people into the sea of actual experiences, in which man is completely alone with himself, with his inner life.

What do disturbances mean in a country which, according to a poetical expression of the Indians "is nearly as large as heaven"? What does a period of two or three decades, appearing enormous for western impatience, mean compared with a struggle for freedom and a road of spiritual reforms already lasting more than two thousand years?

Because everything, which we, casual observers, wish to call typical characteristics of the Indian people and life, such as caste-system, child-marriage and widow-burning has always had very strong opponents, also among the Indian themselves. Already since three centuries there have been in existence in India democratic public institutions which could, even nowadays, serve as an example.

INDIAN YOUTH ASTIR

Indian universities in their appearance (woman-students are allowed) and their curriculum can hardly be told apart from European or American universities. Perhaps there is a difference in mentality, in so far, that Indian youth has not been corrupted by the decadence, which is often a feature of intellectual life in Europe.

India's youth—in allo reverence for the great Gandhi — is trying to effectively apply the inheritances of culture, without being influenced, in its cultural thinking by the new world. India has been able to give much to the European spiritual world and there is no reason to assume that this will not continue in the future.

Serious Allegations Against W. Punjab Govt.

Mian Iftikharuddin's Charge In Assembly: Mamdot On Border Defence

LAHORE, March 23, (A.P.I.): Mian Iftikharuddin, President of the West Punjab Muslim League, made allegations of nepotism and jobbery against the Government in the West Punjab Assembly today and accused even members of the Assembly of taking part in the loot during the post-partition disturbances.

A barrage of violent protests from all sections of the house followed and Mian Iftikharuddin withdrew the remarks when called upon to do so by the Speaker.

Mian Iftigharudding questioned the validity of Government's figures of rehabilitation which, he said, were designed to deceive public opinion No Government, he declared, could perform much a miracle of resettling fifty lakhs of refugees within such a short span of time and moreover the Provincial economy did not possess elasticity to so cheerfuly bear the strain. The Government's claim had led him to believe that the progress had been confined to paper rehabilitation only.

He went on to accuse the Government of drawing at the foundations of Pakistan by creating an atmosphere of complacency by painting a deeptive picture of things and warned that an interval revolution, and no foreign aggression would wipe out the present set up if the Government did not toe the popular line.

Two other members had earlier urged the Ministry to respect the people's will Mr. Ata Mohammed and Major Syed Mubarik Ali Shah had reminded the Ministers that they would remain in office only so long as they enjoyed the confidence of the members and as such they should implement the wishes of the Muslim League Assembly Party.

The Khan of Mamdot indicated that the vacancy in the Cabinet created by the resignation of Mian Iftikharuddin would be shortly filled. He said that he had been only waiting for the incorporation of the East Punjab M.L.A.S. in the West Punjab Assembly to make his final selection and this having been done under the order of the Governer-General of Pakistan the annoucenmet regarding the appointment of a successor to Main Iftikharuddin would not long be delayed.

BORDER DEFENCE

Referring to border defences the Premier said that in addition to the Army and the National Guards, Border Police had been posted along the eastern border. Free arms had also been distributed to the border villages. Ten thousand licences for arms had been issued and about 6,000 of the licences had already received arms.

The Provincial Government's had also recommended to the Central Government certain applicants from West Punjab for the grant of licenses to import arms.

SIND GOVT. DISALLOWS

Honorarium To Retiring Chief Officer Sanctioned By Corporation

KARACHI, March 24 (A.P.I — The Chief Officer of the Karachi Municipal Corporation Mr. T. J. Bhojwani has retired and the Corporation has appointed Mr. Qureshi, Land Manager, as the permanent Chief Officer.

The Government of Sind has disallowed the honorarim of Rs. 20,000 granted to Mr. Bhojwani by the Corporation. The Government of Sind has also reduced from Rs. 9,500 to Rs. 8,000 the annual pension granted to Mr. Bhojwani.

Year's Supersession Of Calcutta Corporation

CALCUTTA, Mar. 24 (UPI)—The West Bengal Assembly authorised the Government today by passing to supersede the Calcutta Corporation for one year from April 1, 1948 and appoint an Administrative Officer and reconstitute the Corporation by election in expiry of the period of supersession.

Dr. B. C. Roy, who piloted the bill, said: "At the present moment, things are so bad in the Corporation that I feel like a surgeon who has go to remove a festering sore from human body and has to apply a swift sweep of the knife in order to eradicate the evil."

The Assembly passed a bill yesterday authorising the Government to investigat into the affairs of the Corporation.

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL CO-OPERATIVE CONFERENCE

The Provincial Co-operative Conference will be held in Bombay on the 11th, 12th and 13th April 1948. The Conference will meet in the Council Hall, under the presidentship of Sir V. T. Krishnamachari. Mr. B. G. Kher, Prime Minister of Bombay, will inaugurate the Conference. An outstanding feature of the Conference this year is the organisation of a special section for women, which will be inaugurated by the Hon'ble Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Minister for Health, Government of India, on the 12th April.

Anglo-Siamese Relations

BANGKOK, March 24. (Reuter): Nai Khuang Apaivongse Siamese Prime Minister, said today that negotiations for revision of the Anglo-Siamese Agreement of 1946 were "progressing satisfactorily."

He said Siam was seeking "more equitable" terms on reparations settlement, war damage claims and rice supply contacts.

The Anglo-Siamese Peace Agreement of January 1, 1946, provided for the return to Britain of the four Malay and two Shan states ceded to Siam by the Japanese in July, 1943, the payment of war damage to British nationals and reparations in the form of a maximum of 1,500,000 tons of Siam's rice surplus for the use of starving communities in the East.

Until a date not later than September 1, 1947 the Siamese Government agreed under the treaty to make available to an international rice organisation all rice surplus to internal needs.

S. KOREAN ELECTIONS IN MAY

NANKING, March 24, (Reuter): Mr. K. P. S. Menon, Indian Ambassador to China and head of the Korean Commission, told Reuter today that it had been decided to hold elections in South Korea (United States Zone) on May 9.

(The Commission had recommended to the United Nations "Little Assembly" that elections be held in Korea as soon as possible.) The elections would take place the supervision of the United Nations Commission, he added.

Towards the end of January, Russia refused to let the Commission go to North Korea, the Russian-occupied area.

Mr. Menon said the "Little Assembly" had "expressed the earnest hope that consultation and negotiations will take place between the leaders of North and South Korea so that a truly National Government may be established" "if the Korean problem could be solved isolated and dealt with on its merits it would have a welcome effect on the whole gamut of international relations" he said.

ATTEMPTED COUP ON BIAK ISLAND

BATAVIA, March 24 (Reuter): A State of emergency was declared on Biak Island, of the north coast of Dutch New Guinea, after an attempted coup by "Indonesians Extremists" on March 14.

The report said 40 Indonesians, including one Government official, were arrested and the situation was under control.

Biak was an Allied wartime base for operations leading to the invasion of the Philippines.

From Mahatma

Liquor, as we say, is an invention of the devil. In Islam it is said that when Satan began to beguile men and women he dangled before them the red water. I have seen in so many cases that Liquor has not only robbed men of their money but of their reason, they have for the time being forgotten the distinction between wife and mother, lawful and unlawful.

I have seen drunken barristers wallowing in gutters carried home by the police. I have found on two occasions captains of steamers so dead drunk as to be incapable of keeping charge of their boats, and the first officer had to take charge of their boats till they came to their senses.

Liquor may be a medical necessity on occasion, and while life seems to be extinct it may be possible to prolong it with a dose of liquor, but that is about all that can be said for it.

Drink and drugs sap the moral well-doing of those who are given to this habit. .. Only those women who have drunkards as their husbands know what havoc the drink evil works in homes that once were orderly and peace-giving. Millions of women in our hamlets know what unemployment means.

Rushing to red water is far more dangerous than rushing to raging furnace or flooded stream. The latter destroys only the body. - the former destroys both body and soul.

Trieste Treaty Unworkable

Bevin Explains Why Return Of Free Territory To Italy Is Suggested

LONDON, March 24 (Reuter): Mr. Ernest Bevin, the British Foreign Secretary, today denied a charge that the proposal of Britain, the United States and France for the return of the free territory of Trieste to Italy was made with an eye on the Italian elections on April 18.

"This has nothing to do with the election", he declared in reply to a question in the House of Commons. "I did not accuse the Soviet Government of an election manoeuvre in proposing the handing back of colonies to Italy and I do not think, alternatively, I should be accused of it".

A Labour critic of the Government's foreign policy, Mr. Thomas Driberg, asked whether, since the proposal had nothing to do with Italian election, it would not have been better for all the great powers who appeared to be interferring in the elections to have waited three weeks longer and so avoid inflamming the already difficult international situation

Amid applause Mr. Bevin replied: "That question might be addressed to Moscow".

Mr. Bevin declared that it was understood that when the Peace Treaties were signed British troops would be evacuated from Trieste within four months of the date of the signature. That had not been done because of the lack of agreement on the setting up of the free territory.

The latest proposal was an attempt to break the deadlock.

Asked by Mr. William Gallacher, Communist, why he did not arrange for the four powers to consult, instead of three powers issuing a declaration, Mr. Bevin said he was daily addressed by the Soviet, not through diplomatic channels, but over the wireless and through "Pravda".

Mr. Gallacher should not be so thin skinned.

There was cheering when Mr. Bevin said: "The history of recent months has shown that the Peace Treaty provisions for setting up Trieste as a free territory have been made unworkable.

"The three Governments have now become convinced that the only satisfactory solution, both from the economic and political stand point is the reversion of the territory to Italian sovereignty.

"Having reached this conclusion the three Governments thought it better to say so.

"We have received a reply from the Italian Government stating that they are ready to negotiate a protocol in accordance with our proposals. We are awaiting the reply of the Soviet Government.

"I do not want to be drawn into any discussion which may hamper our chances of reaching a solution of this urgent problem by direct negotiation".

If there was agreement the next step would be to report to the United Nations.

TWO EX-CZECH MINISTERS INTERNED

PRAGUE, March 24. (Reuter): M. Jan Sramek and M. Frantisek Hala two of the Ministers whose resignations precipitated the Czech crisis last month will be confined in a Catholic monastery, M. Steiner, Chairman of the Czechoslovak Action Committee of War Veterans and a member of Parliament, declared last night.

"The new regime does not want any martyrs", he added.

Monsignors Sramek and Hala were arrested on Sunday for allegedly trying to escape from Czechoslovakia by air.

Benes Won't Leave His Country

M. Steiner also said that President Benes recently, told the Communist Premier Klement Gostwald: I shall never again leave Czechoslovakia I shall never act against the Communists and will never join the enemies of the nation.

Jinnah Obsessed With 'Enemy Complex'

Convocation Address To Dacca University:

DACCA, March 24 (A.P.I.)—The Governor-General of Pakistan, Mr. Mohamed Ali Jinnah, addressing the Convocation of the Dacca University today reminded graduates here that unlike their predecessors they "fortunately" were leaving the university to enter life in a "sovereign independent State of your own."

"It is necessary", he told them "that you and your other fellow students fully understand the implications of the revolutionary change that took place in the birth of Pakistan. We have broken the shackles of slavery. We are now a free people. Our State is our own state and our Government our own Government, of the people, responsible to the people and working for the good of the State."

Mr. Jinnah said: "Freedom however, does not mean licence. It does not mean that you can now behave just as you please, do what you like, irrespective of the interests of other people or of the State. What is now required of all of us is constructive spirit and not the militant spirit of the days when we were fighting for our freedom.

"It is far more difficult to construct than to have a militant spirit for the attainment of freedom. It is easier to go to jails or fight for freedom than to run a government. Let me tell you something of the difficulties that we have overcome, of the dangers that lie ahead. Thwarted in their desire to prevent the establishment of Pakistan, our enemies turned their attention to finding ways and means to weaken and destroy us. Thus, hardly had the new State come into being when came the Punjab and Delhi holocaust. Thousands of men, women and children were mercilessly butchered and millions were uprooted from their homes. Over 50 lakhs of these arrived in the Punjab within a matter of weeks. The care and rehabilitation of these unfortunate refugees, stricken in body and soul, present problems which might well have destroyed many a well-established State. But those of our enemies who had hoped to kill Pakistan at its very inception by this means were disappointed. Not only has Pakistan survived, the shock of that upheaval but it has emerged stronger, more seasoned and better equipped than ever.

There followed in rapid succession other difficulties such as withholding by India of our cash balances, of our share of military equipment and latterly the institution of an almost complete economic blockade of your province. I have no doubt that all right thinking men in the Indian Dominion deplored these happenings and I am sure that the attitude of mind that has been responsible for them will change, but it is essential that you should take note of these developments. They stress the importance of continued vigilance on our part.

PROVINCIALISM

"Of late that attack on your province particularly has taken a subtler form. Our enemies, among whom I regret to say, there are still some Muslims, have set about actively encouraging provincialism in the hope of weakening Pakistan and thereby facilitating the re-absorption of this province into the Indian Dominion. Those who are playing this game are living in a fools paradise.

"The language controversy in which, I am sorry to note, some of you allowed yourself to get involved even after your Prime Minister had clarified the position, is only one of the many subtle ways whereby the poison of provincialism is being sedulously injected into this province."

URDU WILL BE STATE LANGUAGE

I must warn you to beware of these fifth columnists. Let me re-state my views on the question of a State language of Pakistan. For official use in this province the people of the province can choose any language they wish. This question will be decided solely in accordance with the wishes of the people of this province alone, as freely expressed through their accredited representatives at the appropriate time and after full and dispassionate consideration. There can however, be only one LINGUA FRANCA, that is the language for inter-communication between the various provinces of the State and that language should be Urdu and cannot be any other.

The State language, therefore, must obviously be Urdu a language that has been nurtured by a hundred million Muslims of this sub-continent, a language understood throughout the length and bredth of Pakistan and above all a language which for more than any other provincial language embodies the best that is in Islamic culture and Muslim tradition and is nearest to the languages used in other Islamic countries.

"It is not without significance that Urdu has been driven out of the Indian Union and that the official use of the Urdu script has been disallowed.

NEWS IN BRIEF

MOSCOW, March 24, (Reuter): Mr. Henry Wallace third party candidate for the American Presidency was hailed by the Russian press today as "the one man who might help to save peace by advocating co-operation with the Soviet Union"

PARIS March 24, (Reuter): M. Jindrich Nosek today informed the French Foreign Ministry that he had resigned his post as Czechoslovak envoy.

COLOMBO, March 24, (Reuter): The Ministry of Agriculture and Lands are making arrangements for the removal of 300 of some 1,200 families who had expressed a desire to move from the Kotmale valley area which has recently been subjected to an unprecendented amount of earth-slips.

WASHINGTON, March 24, (Reuter): The Lower House today passed the 4,800 Million Dollar Income-Tax Reduction Bill, sending it to President Truman.

The measure cuts taxes for all of the 52,000,000 income-tax payers and drops 7,400,000 low income earners from the tax rolls.

CALCUTTA, March 24, (A.P.I.): Shri S. N. Ray, Secretary to the Governor of West Bengal and chairman of the Calcutta Improvement Trust, has been appointed Administrator of the Calcutta Corporation following its supersession by Government today.

CALCUTTA, March 24, (API): Following the recent ban on the Muslim League National Guards, the Government of Bengal have, by a notification, declared about 20 places, used as offices of the National Guards in Calcutta and other districts, as places used for the purposes of unlawful association.

SIMLA, March 24, (API): Mr. Kanwar Lal Sharma, former propaganda Secretary of the Punjab Provincial Congress Committee, has been appointed Director of Information Bureau, East Punjab Government.

PATNA, March 24, (API): Tentative discussions between the Premiers of Orissa and Bihar concluded here last night on the question of the members of the states of Seraikela and Kharswan.

BENARES, March 24. (API): Two shopkeepers were brutally assaulted by some goondas last night in a hotel. One of the victims died on the spot and the other was admitted to a hospital in a serious condition The police arrested one of the assailants.

The goondas, it is stated, made an unsuccessful attempt to snatch away Rs. 1,500 from the possession of one of the victims.

BENARES, March 24, (API): Mr. G V. Mavlankar Speaker of the Indian Parliament, arrived here today on a three day visit.

SHANGHAI, March 24, (Reuter): Forty Communist leaders accused of plotting to sabotage Shanghai industries were arrested in a raid on their headquarters, it was disclosed tonight.

PARIS, March 24, (Reuter): Paris Stock Exchange clerks began a twenty-four hour strike in protest against rejection by the brokers of their claims for higher wages. No business was done today on the exchange.

LONDON, March 24, (Reuter): The British Foreign Office Spokesman today again denied that any arrangements had been made for Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin and French Foreign Minister Georges Bidault to visit Washington next month.

BANGKOK, March 24, (Reuter): Nai Khaung Apaivonesse, Siamese Prime Minister, said today he was "surprised" by the resignation of Nai Direk Jayanam, Siamese ambassador in London, as the Siamese Government had wished him to continue his post.

The Government was now considering his resignation.

PRAGUE March 24, (Reuter): Several former high officials of the Czechoslovak Ministry of Justice are to face charges after the discovery last November of a spy ring at most, a mining town in north-west Bohemia, the ministry of interior announced today.

They will be accused of "abuse of official authority".

SIMLA, March 24, (API): Giani Kartar Singh, M.L.A., President of the Shiromani Akali Dal in a rejoinder to Mr. Bhim Sen Sachar categorically denies any statement issued by the Working Committee of the Shromani Akali Dal making certain communal demands.

CALCUTTA, March 24, (API): Mr. Sibnath Banerjee, M.L.A., a well-known Labour leader of Bengal, has been served with summons asking him to appear before the District Magistrate of Hooghly on April 5 in connection with a case instituted against him by Government under section 188 of the I.P.C.

LONDON, March 24, (Reuter): A Vickers "Viking" air liner is on the first stage of a 20,000-mile demonstration flight to India and Pakistan.

NEW DELHI, March 24. (U. P. I.): The Standing Committee of the All-India States People's Conference which met yesterday under the presidency of Sheikh Mohd. Abdullah discussed, among other things, the issue of merger of the A. I. S. P. C with the Indian National Congress The United Press of India learns that after some discussion it was decided to postpone the final decision on this issue till after the next A. I. C. C. to be held in Bombay on April 24 and 25.

INTERIM GOVT. IN TRAVANCORE

Pattom Thanu Pillai Sworn In As Leader

TRIVANDRUM, March 24: The Maharaja of Travancore has agreed to the formation of an interim Government for the State and the investing of the representative body with the powers and functions of the Legislative Assembly during the interim period.

The Interim Ministry, with Mr. Pattom Thanu Pillai as leader which was sworn in today will hold office during His Highness the Maharaja's pleasure and will be collectively responsible to the Legislature.

Provision exists for the administration by the ruler and his Council of Advisers in case of failure of the constitutional machinery and for the withdrawal of the proclamation setting up this Interim Government.

These are contained in a 34-Section Interim Constitution Act which came into force today and will be valid till the new Constitution Act is framed by the Representative (Constituent) Body.

Under the Act the Executive authority is vested in the Council of Ministers appointed by him.

Certain subjects are, however, excluded from the purview of the Ministers. These are listed under: Palace and Royal Family and matters connected therewith and 'Pandarwarka, Devaswams' Hindu religious endowments and allied matters.

The Act lays down that the Maharaja's assent will be necessary for bills to become law. The budget of the State will be submitted to the vote of the house in the form of demands for grant.

The Act also transfers power so long exersised by the Dewan to the Minister in charge of the Department concerned and asserts: Nothing contained in this Act shall affect the "Royal prerogative and inherent sovereign rights" of the ruler.

Wage Boards And Whitley Councils For Bombay

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rules of which provide that "no strike shall be sanctioned or resorted to by it, unless all the methods provided by or under the Act for the settlement of an industrial dispute have been exhausted and the majority of its members voted by ballot in favour of such strike", is enabled to refer any industrial dispute for arbitration to the Industrial Court. This would, it is hoped, facilitate speedy settlement of important disputes by shortening the procedure and avoiding the intermediate stage of conciliation altogether.

(6) Provision is made to avoid the overlapping jurisdiction of a Labour Court and the Industrial Court in cases of submission under section 66(2).

(7) Power is taken for the Industrial Court to review its decision provided there are sufficient reason. This is necessary in order to make workable certain decisions which need clarification or harmony.

(8) Power under section 25 to collect union fees etc. is conferred also on members of approved unions who are not their officers but who are suitably authorised.

(9) The offence under section 104 is made cognizable.

(10) The pre-requisite of the request of a Representative Union before a Labour Officer offers services to investigate the grievances of employees etc. is narrowed to the request of an Approved Union with a view to utilizing the Labour Officer's services more fully.

(11) Where the Provincial Government is affected as an employer by a decision of a Wage Board or by an award of an arbitrator or Court, it is necessary in the interest of the Government finances to exercise caution. For this purpose power is taken in new section 76A and 86F to give effect to the decision or a award in whole or in part by an order of the Provincial Government, and in case of difference of opinion, the ultimate determination is made to rest on a resolution to be voted upon by the Provincial Legislative Assembly. The provision is analogous to that in section 15 of the Industrial Disputes Act 1947.

The Bill provides for several consequential amendments in certain other sections of the Bombay Industrial Relations Act.

French Leges Merged In Indian Province

NEW DELHI, March 24, (A.P.I.): The French Leges at Musulipatam and Calicut have been included in the territories of the Indian Union and will form part of the Madras Province, states a Government of India notification.

The Lege at Musulipatam, measuring 66.48 acres, shall form part of Bandar town in Kistna District and the Lege at Calicut measuring 8.38 acres shall from part of Calicut town in Malabar District.

The inclusion of the French possession at Balasere measuring approximately 45.1 acres in the Province of Orissa has also been notified.

Augmenting Dutch Army

THE HAGUE, March 24, (Reuter): Royal Netherlands Army will shortly be considerably strengthened by Voluntary Reserve formations that could be called up in case of emergency to assist in the maintenance of Law and Order, it was authoritatively learned today.

Two new bodies are to be established—the "National Reserve" and the "Frontier Guard Reserve". Men eligible must be "Loyal Dutchmen", who have completed at least six months' military service and do not exceed the age of 65. Volunteers will be able to report as from April 19.

S. AFRICA EVADES INDIAN ISSUE

No Desire For Round-Table Conference

LONDON, March 24, (Reuter): The "South Africa Bulletin", issued by the South African Committee of the India League in London, declared today that the Union Government "evades" the Indo-South African problem.

India, it said, had repeatedly declared her readiness to attend a round-table conference to solve the issue. It was for the Union Government to announce clearly whether it was prepared to do so.

The publication added: "Statements have been made that Field Marshal Smuts desired a conference. But what are the facts?"

The paper said that such statements had come through a small splinter organisation, Government-inspired, and added the Union was seeking a compromise solution "inconsistent with the resolution of the United Nations, the dignity of India and the aspirations of the South African Indians. The organisation has no place in the Union's Indian population of 282,000".

DISCRIMINATIONS

In another article dealing with "racial discrimination in universities", the South Africa Bulletin stressed that "though there are about a dozen universities and colleges scattered all over South Africa, only three of them accept a limited number of Indian students.

"Even at the two European universities, where a limited number of Indian students are accepted, their position is far from satisfactory. In spite of the fact that they pay the same fees as European students, they are discriminated against in various ways and are denied a full college life".

The bulletin continued: "The fact remains that though there are adequate facilities within the country for such professional training as medicine, law, engineering, architecture, accounting and surveying, for Indians, these must still be obtained outside the Union with an obvious restriction of the numbers that can train overseas.

"Since State policy is not to offer employment to non-European engineers, architects, accountants, surveyors or electrians, the professions to which Indians are restricted are medicine and law".

Bhargava Re-elected Leader Of East Punjab Assembly Party

SIMLA, March 24. (API): Dr. Gopichand Bhargava was unanimously re-elected leader of the Congress Assembly party in the East Punjab Assembly at a meeting of the Congress legislators this morning.

Before the election took place, Mr. Bhim Sen Sachar attempted to make a statement saying that twenty-six members of the party had formed themselves into a group.

The statement, it is reported, was challenged by certain members, who pointed out that there could be no separate group inside the Congress party.

The meeting elected Sardar Dalip Singh Kang and Mr. Dev Raj Sethi as Secretaries of the party.

SACHAR'S ALLEGATIONS

"Secret understanding on communal lines" between the East Punjab Premier Dr. Gopichand Bhargava and the 23 members of the Akali Dal, who recently joined the Congress Legislature Party, is alleged by Lala Bhimsen Sachar, M.L.A., in a statement today.

Mr. Sachar accuses the Premier of having agreed to give weightage to the Akali Dal in the services, district and municipal boards and agreed to "the division of the Punjab from what is known as the non-Punjabi speaking area".

Saying that "the time has come for the Leader of the Party to make his position clear", Mr. Sachar adds: "Up to date not even a single meeting of the Congress Legislature Party had been called. In fact one such meeting was scheduled for Feb. 16 but when the members had already assembled it was immediately cancelled. It is only after the addition of the Panthic members that a hasty meeting at short notice has been called with the surety that a majority will be available with the support of the newly joined Panthic members".

PLEA FOR REMOVAL OF PRICE CONTROL

Sir Homi Mehta On How To Combat Black Markets In Textiles

SHOLAPUR, March 24 (API): Inaugurating the fifth session of the All-India Textile Conference here today, Sir Homi Mehta appealed to mill managers and masters to promote the welfare of their workers and have brotherly feeling for them. Efforts should be made, he said, to ensure good living conditions for the workers by providing them with adequate housing accommodation, free medical facilities and recreations after work, as also by rendering elementary education to their children so that they might judge for themselves and might not become tools of unscrupulous agitators.

Sir Homi also advised workers not to absent themselves from their work but to co-operate with their masters in stepping up production.

Referring to the cloth position, he said: "Recently cotton prices have soared up to such an extent that mills find it difficult to sell their products at the present Government prices. Either price control should be removed or prices should be raised to meet the higher cost of raw cotton, and if this is not done quickly it would give rise to more black marketing".

About 400 delegates from several textile centres in India attended.

RAJASTHAN UNION FORMED

Gadgil To Deputise For Sardar At Inauguration

NEW DELHI, March 24, (API): Mr. N. V. Gadgil, Works Minister, will deputize for Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, States Minister, at Kotah tomorrow when he will inaugurate the Rajasthan Union.

The Union comprise some seven States.

Mr. C. C. Desai, Commerce Secretary, who was till recently attached to the States Ministry, left for Kotah today.

It is expected one or two more States might join the Union before inauguration tomorrow.

The constitution of the Union is on the same lines as the Convenant for the United States of Kathiawar and the people in these States will get full Responsible Government.

Guatemala Accused Of War-Mongering

NEW YORK, March 24 (Reuter): The Dominion Government through its Information Centre here said today that it had "reliable information" of Guatemalan plans to foment war in Central America.

"President Arvello of Guatemala has just received from Venezuela heavy assistance in the form of arms and finance for the prosecution of Guatemala's activity against several Central American Governments and the Dominion Republic", they said.

Proceedings In Assembly

Special Levy On Industrialists To Raise Funds For Housing

Food Situation In Bombay Satisfactory

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Mr. Gulzarilal Nanda, Labour Minister, revealed in the Bombay Legislative Assembly today that the recent conference at Delhi of the Provincial Labour Ministers had arrived at the unanimous conclusion that a special levy should be imposed on industrialists to raise a fund for the construction of houses for the working classes.

Mr. Nanda added that the Central Government was considering the matter and they might introduce legislation for the purpose.

Mr. Nanda made these statements while replying to criticisms by Mr. S. A. Dange on the housing policy of the Government.

Discussions on the Budget concluded today and the House passed the demands for grants under the various heads.

Mr. S. A. Dange, moving a cut to discuss the Housing programme and policy of the Government complained that the housing programme was not being carried out at a sufficiently fast pace. Further, the house were not good or cheap. He thought that shortage of building materials could be overcome only if Government took steps to check monopoly in materials.

Mr. Nanda, replying, asserted that considering the magnitude of the housing plan the time taken was not long. Reviewing the work done by Government, he said that in January 1947 the Housing Advisory Board was established and in February the Housing Committee was formed. Within a period of five months after the formation of that Committee, a programme was adopted, a housing department set up, technical personnel engaged and in June, 1947, actual construction was started. Over a thousand tenements had now been completed and it was expected that twice the number would be built in the next one year.

The Minister said that shortage of materials could not be solved by "the magic wand of nationalisation." While it was conceded that nationalisation in a manner which would not dislocate the economic life of the country was necessary, the real remedy for shortage lay in increased production. He stated that the total output of steel and cement was insufficient to meet the demand.

NO FEAR OF FAMINE

Mr. Dinkerrao Desai, Minister for Civil Supplies, answering criticisms made by Mr. J. H. Shamsuddin during a debate on the demand for grant under the head "Miscellaneous", gave the assurance that Government would take the strongest measures to check anti-social practices among dealers in food grains. He stated that to check high prices Government would open fair price shops for which they had the necessary stocks.

The Minister assured that the food position in the Province was very satisfactory and there was no need for any fear of shortage or famine.

The Assembly adjourned to Monday, March 29.

Gandhi National Memorial Fund

NATION-WIDE DRIVE FOR COLLECTIONS

NEW DELHI, March 24 (A.P.I.)—A nation-wide drive for collections to the Gandhi National Memorial Fund will be the main feature of this year's National Week commencing from April 6, 1948. It is likely that the "Week" will be extended to a fortnight. The Congress President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad, and the Prime Minister are expected to launch the week.

Acharya Kripalani and Mr. J C. Kumarappa, secretaries of the fund and Mr. Devdas Gandhi made it clear at a press conference here today that in appealing to the people rich and poor, to contribute at least ten days' income, the sponsors had in mind ten days' taxable income and not net income. The appeal was made not only to individuals but also to firms, corporations, limited companies, etc. In the case of very big concerns, whose gross income for ten days might run into several crores, a different formula might have to be adopted.

NO TARGET FIXED

So far no target or closing date had been fixed for the funds.

In cases where donors might not be able to pay ten days income in one lump sum, the donation might be made in instalments, at the most in six monthly instalments.

They suggested that business houses, local bodies and other institutions might appoint their own committees to collect contributions from the staff and forward the amount to the fund. At the same time they deprecated any idea of starting separate funds apart from the National Memorial Fund.

SHARES OF PRESS

Receipts would be given for every contribution received. It was suggested that the staff of all newspapers in India should alone be able to contribute rupees three or four lakhs and if newspapers contributed ten days' share from their income, the amount would come to rupees twentyfive lakhs or more.

An appeal was made to the press to co-operate in the campaign to the fullest.

Finnish Premier In Moscow

MOSCOW March 24, (Reuter): M. Mauno Pekka Finnish Prime Minister arrived at the central airport here today to lead the Finnish delegation pact between the Soviet Union and Finland.

He was greeted by M. Molotov the Soviet Foreign Minister, high society military and civil officials and members of the diplomatic corps.

Military Commanders Reach "Best Of Understanding"

BERLIN, March 24, (Reuter): Russian, British American and French Deputy Military Commanders in Berlin today reached "the best of understanding" on some issues in the Allied Kommandatura—the only Four-Power body still working in Germany.

They achieved agreement on a "number of questions", it was reported by Dena, the German News Service quoting a French military spokesman.

This was the first sign of accord since Marshal Vassily Sokolovsky walked out of the Allied Control Council —Supreme Government of all Germany—last Saturday adjourning it indefinitely.

It followed a situation in which the Western Powers boycotted subsidiary Control organs except the Kommandatura until a full meeting of the Four Power Control Council.

No changes in arrangements for American occupation are contemplated after the Washington decision that Germany should remain under army control and not be transferred to the State Department this summer as planned.

Tightening of frontier control between the Russian and Western zones of Germany was foreshadowed today by reports in all Soviet-licensed newspapers of "bandit activity on zonal boundaries."

An official Russian statement quoted by the Soviet-controlled German News Agency said: "Starving people from the Western zones" were swarming into the eastern areas.

The statement said 214,000 more people had to be fed in the Russian zone in the last three months and the situation was particularly difficult near frontier areas.

Western observers said it was generally thought that people crossing the boundary from west to east were outnumbered by people going in the opposite direction.

Field-Marshal Viscount Montgomery Chief of the British Imperial General Staff and Mr. Arthur Henderson, Secretary for Air will both visit Germany during the first week of April.

TEN-YEAR LEASE FOR PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

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tionalization, but demanded a clear demarcation of the respective spheres of State and private enterprise, however narrow might be the field allotted to them.

MAIN HURDLE

In regard to the reported decision not to acquire the ownership of existing undertakings at least for the next ten years in respect of certain specified industries, it is learnt that the main hurdle against a policy of nationalization appears to be, firstly, limited financial resources at the disposal of the Government and secondly, lack of requisite technical personnel and managerial skill. The principal consideration, however, appears to be the anxiety not to embark on any scheme which would affect production adversely.

It is expected that Government's announcement would involve legislation which would be undertaken at a subsequent session of the Parliament.

Government's industrial and economic policy or the lack of one, had often been discussed on the floor of the House, at the Industries Conference when certain general conclusions were reached and again by the AICC when it approved of the fundamentals of the report of its Economic Programme Committee. But so far, owing to stress of events, it had not been possible to place before the legislature any considered policy whose execution could be taken in hand immediately. The discussions during the last few months and the consideration which Government had given to this problem have now, it is learned, enabled Government to formulate their policy which will first be discussed and approved of by the Parliament and then the Cabinet will take steps to give effect to it.

R.S.S. Workers Released

NEW DELHI, March 24. (API). Onehundred and thirty R. S. S. workers have been released from Delhi District Jail during the last two days.

BOMBAY TEAM RETURNING HOME

INDORE, March 24, (API): The Bombay cricket team which lost to Holkar the Cricket Championship for India will leave Indore for Bombay tomorrow, March 25 and reach Bombay by the Delhi Express on the morning of March 26.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

Easy Tone

LONDON, March 24 (Reuter)—Expectation of difficulties regarding Government's plan to peg wages: the possibility of some trade union opposition, made for dull conditions in today's stock markets. British Government Securities were marked lower with transport three per cents five-sixteenths down at nine-seven and seven-eights. Leading industrials met with scattered selling. Losses of one shilling were fairly common.

Among stores, Woolworths lost one and six and eight one and three whilst tobaccos showed British Americans one sixteenth lower at five and twenty-seven thirty seconds.

Under lifeless conditions, oil market prices moved in sympathy with the remainder of markets. Anglo-Iranians were three thirty seconds off at eight and seven thirty seconds.

Hopes of an early announcement regarding resumption of mid-week racing brought a sharp revival of interest in the Greyhound Section. Gains were substantial with Greyhound Racing Association quoted at eleven and three.

Announcement of new capital issue to shareholders at fifteen shillings for every ten held depressed Middle Wit Watersrand in the Kaffir market. After being somewhat erratic, the price of this share closed nine pence lower at two nine and three.

CROSS RATES

LONDON, March, 24

T.T. London on New York 4.0275 Selling 4.0325 Buying

NEW YORK, March, 24

T.T. New York on London previous closing 4.02-3/4 to 4.03-1/4.

U.S. price of Foreign Silver previous closing 14-3/8 cents.

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, March 24, (Reuter): Wednesday's opening prices: Anconda Copper Mining $35, General Motors unquoted, United States Steel Common 872-1/2, Preference 131-1/2.

KARACHI COTTON

(From Our Own Correspondent)

KARACHI, March 24

Cotton Ready Roller Ginned Sind N. T. Rs. 75/-; L. S. S. Rs. 66/8; 4 P Rs. 59/4; May Contract Rs. 59/2. Arrivals 8,000. Exports 1,557 for Chittagong and Antwerp. Cottonseeds Ready N. T. Rs. 5/12; Desi Rs. 7/-; Copras Rs. 40/-; Copra Oil Rs. 55/-; Bullion Gold Tejabi Rs. 103/12; Sovereigns Rs. 72/8; Silver Coins Rs. 130.

BANGKOK, March 24. (Reuter): Siam's rice export target for this year is 750,000 tons, officials disclosed here today.

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FOR UNAUTHORISED possession of ration cards, for charging more than controlled price and for obstructing inspectors in the discharge of their duties, the Government of Bombay have CANCELLED the authorisation of VELJI BHIMSHI, Proprietor of Ration Shop No. K.11, Takia Road, Opp. Police Station, Kurla and have forfeited Rs. 250 deposited by him with the Government.

For possessing rationed cloth in excess, PANDURANG DHONDIBA was convicted and sentenced to one month's rigorous imprisonment.

No Soviet Interference In Czech Coup

GROMYKO'S VIGOROUS DEFENCE OF NEW PRAGUE GOVT. IN SECURITY COUNCIL

LAKE SUCCESS, March 23 (U. P. A.): Russia charged today in a vigorous defense of Czechoslovakia's new communist government that the United States, manipulated by "warmongers," has undertaken a "coolly calculated plan" to destroy the United Nations organization.

Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko declared in the Security Council that a "war psychosis" has ben spread by the United States.

Gromyko claimed that the move by Chilg for investigation of the recent communist climb to power in Prague was undertaken by persons eager to spread a war hysteria. He denied any Soviet interference in the Czechoslovak political turn-over charging in return that the United States was badly tampering with the governments and freedom of Italy, France, Greece and Turkey. He said, "In the United States this is called democracy. In others it is called interference."

Gromyko spoke in detail of what he called American imperialism and intervention in Europe punctuating each charge with remarks like every doorman in the United States knows this," and "every cowboy, every parrot in the United States can tell us about it."

Gromyko speaking before an overflow crowd said the charges of Soviet interference in the recent Czech communist coup were so fantastic that they reminded him of Arabian Nights.

Speaking of opponents of Russian foreign policy, he remarked: "they regard as a communist every honest person uttering even a single word about the necessity of improving the relations for example, between the United States and the Soviet Union . . ."

Gromyko made no direct answer to British delegate Alexander Cadogan's blunt warning, but he charged that Britain was the junior partner in the Anglo-American attempt to dominate Europe and maintain direct control of the economies of European nations through the Marshall Plan.

LAKE SUCCESS, March 23 (U.P.A.) The United States charged today in the United Nations that Moscow has "enslaved the people of Czechoslovakia," while levelling "fantastic propaganda" against the western world.

American delegate Warron Austin declared in the Security Council that the United Nations must "consider with care" the charges that Russia has manipulated the recent communist jump to power in Czechoslovakia. Austin likened the political turnover in Prague to personal intervention by which the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Andrei Vishinsky, directed the change to communistic rule in Rumania in 1945.

Austin denounced Russia's leaders terming them "arbitrary leader of the Russian people" and said heatedly that the Kremlin's contentions in the Security Council debate of the Czech case were unworthy of an answer.

Irked by Gromyko's claims that every cowboy and every door-man in America was familiar with the imperialistic aims of the American foreign policy, Austin replied "I am sure that the representative of Russia does not have so good an opportunity as a taxicab driver or a doorman in New York or Washington to be informed about the external affairs and play a part in the external affairs of his country (Russia)." An applause from the gallery was halted by the tapping of the gavel by the Council President Tsiang of China.

France, backing up the western powers' condemnation of the communist coup in Czechoslovakia, charged that the event could not have taken place without the presence of Russian troops along the Czech border. Alexandre Parodi told the United Nations Security Council that of the two men who were the symbols of Czech democracy—President Eduard Benes and Foreign Minister Jan Masaryk—"one is no longer free and the other is dead."

Parodi said the Security Council should "attach full importance" to the charges against Russia but he offered no suggestion for United Nations action.

NEW SOVIET PLAN FOR RECOVERY OF EUROPE

PARIS, March 23 (Reuter) : A new Soviet move to take control of the European recovery programme out of the hands of the sixteen Marshall Plan nations and transfer it to the United Nations European Economic Commission was foreshadowed in international trade union circles here today.

Russia and Eastern European nations which refused to join the Marshall plan are represented on the European Economic Commission.

The plan, according to sources close to the headquarters of the World Federation of Trade Unions, is to modify cominform hostility to the Marshall Plan while maintaining in full working order the machinery for opposition to its successful execution.

The plan has apparently been discussed by Monsieur Louis Saillant, Secretary General of the World Federation of Trade Unions, with leaders of the Congress of industrial organisations in America and with Monsieur Vassily Kuzentsov, Chairman of the Soviet Trade Union Council.

The move would be made, these quarters said, through the Executive Committee of the Federation at its meeting at Rome opening on April 30.

A resolution proposing the change would also try to open the door for American aid to Eastern European countries by establishing the principle that priority in American aid should be granted those allied countries such as Poland which suffered most through the war.

In return for this indirect entry of east Europe countries into the Marshall Plan, Russia would, it was thought, propose a "peace" conference at which she would offer guarantees that would lift the fear of Soviet expansionism in Europe.

PERSIAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

Soviet Ambassador Not Present At Court

TEHERAN, March 23, (Reuter): Only ten of the 24 members of the Soviet Embassy staff here attended the traditional Salaam celebrations at the Imperial Court, last Sunday, on the Persian New Year.

Absence of the Ambassador M. Ivan Vassili Srochikov, and the first and third secretaries was particularly noticed.

Observers considered their absence as a protest against the reiection by the Majlis last October of oil rights for Russia in the north Persia oilfields.

Apart from the Russians the complete diplomatic corps attended the ceremonies and presented New Year wishes to the Shah Mohammed Reza.

'Dead' Men Walk Into Washington

WOODLAND (Washington State), March 23 (Reuter).—Two men who were in a C-47 Transport Plane which crashed three days ago in Washington State, walked into town here today. They said that two others of the six people who were in the plane when it crashed had also survived.

No Likelihood Of War Soon

LONDON, March 23 (Reuter).—The Soviet Ambassador here, M. Georgi Zarubin, declared here tonight, "There is not likely to be any war for a long time, because none of the peoples of the world wants it."

He was speaking to guests who sought his views at a reception in honour of the departing Swiss Minister to Britain, Dr. Paul Ruegger, and his wife.

Dr. Ruegger takes up the post of President of the International Red Cross next month.

JAMNADAS MEHTA RELEASED

Several Others Also Released

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Coyajee)

Ramabai R. Mehta ..... Petitioner

vs.

The Commissioner of Police and another ..... Respondents

Jamnadas M. Mehta, a former Mayor and Municipal Corporator of Bombay, had first been arrested on 5th February, 1948 but had been released on the same day after investigation. On 28th February he was again arrested at his residence at Malabar Hill and taken to Arthur Road Prison. On 1st March an order of detention together with a notice giving the grounds for his detention under the Bombay Public Security Measures Act was served upon him. The grounds were that the detenu was communal-minded and promoted communal ill-feelings and incited acts of violence against the rival community.

Will regard to the arrest of the detenu the first respondent in his affidavit stated that the detenu had seen certain political offenders and had given them advice with reference to the offences committed by them. In reply to a representation made by the detenu, on 12th March the first respondent sought to amplify the grounds of detention by adding that the detenu had assisted the illegal activities of the R.S.S. by financing, advising and assisting some of its members.

The petitioner, the daughter-in-law of the detenu, presented the present petition in the nature of "habeas corpus" contending that the detention of the detenu was illegal and that he be set at liberty.

Following his own earlier decision in Dharap's case, his lordship held that the original grounds furnished to the detenu for his detention were vague and indefinite and that the detention was therefore illegal. With regard to the amplified grounds, his lordship held that the Commissioner had no power, after having detained the detenu and furnished the grounds for such detention, to add to those grounds later on. In the result his lordship ordered the detenu to be set at liberty forthwith.

Mr. Y. B. Rege and Mr. D. M. Rege instructed by Messrs. K. J. Kale & Co. appeared for the petitioner.

The Advocate-General instructed by the Public Prosecutor appeared for the respondents.

Of the aggregate number of 33 similar "habeas corpus" applications before him, his lordship disposed of 27 others. Of these, 26 applications were successful and the detenus in those cases were also ordered to be released.

Charity Trick In 'Pugree' Case Fails

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

For a novel type of 'pugree' offence Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, sentenced Ibrahim Baxubhoy to pay a fine of Rs. 1000 in default suffer six months' simple imprisonment.

In this case the Magistrate had to decide an important point whether an enforced contribution to a charity amounted to the taking of 'pugree' or not?

The prosecution case was that the accused had received a 'pugree' of Rs. 500 from Mr. S. D. Pardiwalla a tenant in Sambhava Chambers, Phirozesha Mehta Road, of which the accused was the estate manager.

Pardiwalla was occupying an office room in the building on payment of a monthly rental of Rs. 40|- He sublet a portion of the room to another party, along with the use of his typewriter, furniture and telephone for which he received Rs. 150 per month from the sub-tenant.

The accused did not like the idea of Pardiwalla getting money and sued him in ejectment. Eventually he agreed to withdraw the suit and allow Pardiwalla to continue as a tenant and also to keep the sub-tenant for one year, provided Pardiwalla paid Rs. 500. The accused put the demand in the form that Pardiwalla should give Rs. 500 as a contribution towards a charitable dispensary at Chuda in Kathiawar which was being run by the owners of Sambhava Chambers.

The defence of the accused was that the rents of Sambhava Chambers were being utilised for that dispensary and that the sum received by the accused was a contribution to charity, and not a 'pugree' intended to go to him or the owners of the building.

The Court held that an enforced payment towards charity, in consideration of the continuance of or grant of a tenancy, would be in the same position as a premium or pugree, the obtaining of which was prohibited by the Rent Restriction Act.

THE BANK OF INDIA LTD.

Subject to the permission of Government, the Directors of the Bank of India Ltd., propose to increase the paid-up capital of the bank by Rs. 50 lakhs by the issue of 100,000 new shares of Rs. 100 each with Rs. 50 paid up thereon at Rs. 50 per share premium, the total amount of the premium to be credited to the Reserve Fund of the Bank; such shares to be issued to the existing shareholders in the ratio of one share for each three shares held. Provision will be made for the issue of coupons in respect of fractions of one third of a new share. The new shares are to rank for dividend from the profits of the bank accruing from 1st July, 1948.

Sculptor's Tribute To "20th Century Martyr"

JOHANNESBURG, March 23 (Reuter).—The news of Mahatma Gandhi's assassination so shocked the Afrikan sculptor Willem de Sanderes Hendriks that he felt impelled to express in sculptural form the essential character of Mahatma Gandhi in African teak entitled "Martyr—Twentieth Century"—which has now been bought by the Transvaal Passive Resistance Council and is to be presented to the Indian Government.

The Resistance Council says that the work is an acknowledgement of Mahatma Gandhi's martyrdom in the cause of justice.

The Council adds:

"It comes at a time when there is strained relationship between India and South Africa, but we are confident that with goodwill on all sides and the Gandhi spirit of peace as guide, better relations can be created."

DRAFT FOR 31,500 DISAPPEARS

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

An Ahmedabad merchant sent a bank draft for Rs. 31,500 to a Bombay businessman. But it never reached its destination and instead the addressee received only a blank paper enclosed in an envelope.

The C.I.D. were informed and after investigations arrested Nathvarlal Sakrabhai Patel and Babubhai alias Shantilal Lakhubhai. Both the accused were arrested by Sub-Inspector Deoli of the General Branch, who recovered Rs. 15,000.

It is alleged that on the 16th instant Laxmiprasad Damodardas a merchant from Maskati Market, Ahmedabad gave the draft to the first accused to be dispatched to Madhavdas Ratansi a cloth merchant at Bombay.

The draft had mysteriously vanished and Ratansi received a blank paper in the envelope which came to him by post.

The Police arrested the first accused on suspicion and on statements made by him apprehended the second accused who it is alleged had opened a bogus account in a bank in the name of Madhavdas Ratansi and had been operating.

Both the accused were enlarged on bail at the Esplanade Court, this morning.

AIR-INDIA WORKERS TO GO ON STRIKE

DEADLINE FIXED FOR MIDNIGHT OF APRIL 12

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

Three thousand employees of Air-India in Bombay, Calcutta, Madras, Karachi and Ceylon have resolved to go on strike from April 12 midnight, unless their demands are substantially conceded.

This was revealed to local pressmen by the legal adviser of the Air-India Employees' Union, who said he was a Communist.

A plane cannot be permitted to take off until it is certified air worthy. This is done almost every 24 hours. If the maintenance staff strike work, the employees have good grounds for believing that they would be able to paralyse the service

It seems the Directors of Air-India were willing to concede partly the demands of their employees in regard to salary scales. When the representatives demanded still more concessions, the directors suggested that the Government might be requested to go into the matter and arbitrate.

The workers, however, anticipated that the Government award would be 're-actionary'. Their conclusion was based on their experience of other Government awards in the past in connection with disputes between other workers and employers. So the workers told the Air-India Directors that they were not prepared for arbitration.

The employees of Air-India have felt fortified with the knowledge that the Airways Workers' Union of Bengal have likewise resolved to go on strike in April.

The management of the Air-India, it was alleged had approached the Government with the request that the maintenance staff of the R.I.A.F. might be permitted to act after the employees struck work.

MADE 'POTS OF MONEY'

The legal adviser of the Air-India Employees' Union said that the Air-India had made 'pots' of money from the Kashmir operations and were getting Rs. 15 lakhs a year from the Government of India for carrying mails.

The lowest grade worker received Rs. 34 as Dearness Allowance per month, said the legal adviser. "The workers are desperate", he added and warned that they would neither be persuaded nor terrorised into resuming their work until and unless their demands are conceded in substance.

MERGER OF A.I.S.P.C. INTO CONGRESS

NEW DELHI March 23 (API) The Standing Committee of the All-India States Peoples' Conference met here today under the chairmanship of Sheikh Mohd. Abdulla. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was also present at the meeting for about an hour.

The Committee discussed generally the question of merging the organisation into the Indian National Congress. The Committee, however, deferred any decision till its next meeting in Bombay on April 26, when decision will be taken in the light of resolution passed on this subject by the A.I.C.C.

The Committee is meeting again tomorrow morning.

SEC. 144 IN DECCAN STATES

SANGLI, March 23 (A.P.I.) : apprehending breach of peace and tranquillity during the ensuing Shimga festival, the Chief Administrator of Sangli, Mr. V. Ishwaran as a precautionary measure has promulgated Section 144 Cr. P. C. prohibiting the carrying of sticks torches, weapons and shouting slogans calculated to inflame communal feelings from March 22 to March 31 in Sangli, Miraj, Budhgaon, Madhavnagar, Khurunduwadi, Jamkhandi, Terdal Rabkavi, Banbatti, Ganeshwadi and Kavathe Mahenkal.

The Chief Administrator has also directed all toddy and liquor shops to be closed during the above period.

KRISHNA MENON CALLS FOR GREATER UNITY BETWEEN INDIA AND BRITAIN

LONDON, March 23 (Reuter).—Mr. Krishna Menon today called for greater unity between Britain and India at a luncheon given to Blackpool's civic heads to thank them for the hospitality they have extended to the Indian Government Stores Department staff since 1939.

India, Mr. Krishna Menon said, was in the throes of a great industrial drive. The Stores Department was concerned in the production of materials for her reconstruction—not for dictatorial use, but for the advancement of a happier and more cultural life.

"India and Britain must remain united in the future," Mr. Krishna Menon declared. "We must be brothers to enable the world to be a happy place to live in."

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ASIAN YOUTH FESTIVAL
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SERVICE (BOMBAY) AYF.1/148.

SHARP DECLINE IN COTTON PRICES

Heavy Unloading By Professionals

BULLION MARKET STEADY

Bombay, March 24

The local cotton market was quiet to-day on increased selling on the belief that the present prices are high enough for the time being. Yesterday at about the close the market suddenly advanced but to-day there was absence of follow-up on the buying side.

At the opening May was quoted at Rs. 618 and declined at Rs. 609 on long liquidation. At this level a feeble rally was managed by interested parties but the improvement was lost under increased selling. May cotton after advancing at Rs. 614 declined at Rs. 607.

Later on there was persistent selling which depressed May contract at Rs. 600. Towards the close there was scattered covering and the market closed at 2 p.m. as under:

I.C.C. May	Rs.	604	0 0
I.C.C. July		612	4 0
I.C.C. September		615	12 0

HIGH & LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, March 23.

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing.
March	626-1/2	611-1/2	626-1/2
May	623	606-1/2	619-1/2
July	627-1/2	614	627-1/2
Sept.	630-1/2	617-1/2	630-1/2

INDIAN COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton May Contract is 1040 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

SHARE BAZAR

Bombay, March 24

On the Bombay Stock Exchange today, traders were in a holiday mood the market, though officially open did no business. Tata Steel Defds were nominally quoted around Rs 1617/8. The market will remain closed for Holi and Easter holidays till Monday.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, March 24:

	Rs	as.	p
2-1/2 p.c. 1954	98	10	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1950	100	15	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1961	96	14	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1948-52	100	7	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1960	99	4	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1962	99	12	0
p.c. 1986 Com.	99	1	0
3 p.c. 1949-52	101	2	0
3 p.c. 1951-54	101	15	0
3 p.c. 1953-56	101	14	0
3 p.c. 1957	102	0	0
3 p.c. 1959-61	101	7	0
3 p.c. 1966-08	106	12	0
3 p.c. 1966-68	100	14	0
3 p.c. 1970-75	99	15	0
3-1/2 p.c. 1951-59	105	12	0
4 p.c. 1948-53	102	8	0
4 p.c. 1960-70	113	0	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67	117	0	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1955-60	113	8	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67	116	12	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
2-3/4 p.c. U. P. 1961	98	14	0
2-3/4 p.c. Madras 1961	99	0	0
3 p.c Bombay 1955	101	10	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1958	101	10	0
4 p.c. Punjab 1949	99	2	0
3 p.c. Madras 1952-53	100	12	0
3 p.c. Punjab 1952	99	4	6
3 p.c. U. P. 1952	112	0	0
3 p.c. C P 1952	101	0	0
3 p.c. N.-W. F. 1952	99	14	0
3 p.c. U P 1961-66	101	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay Port Trust.	112	0	0
4 p.c. Bombay Municipality City	112	0	0
5 p.c Bombay Municipality 1959	118	0	0
6 p.c Municipality 1954.	120	0	0
New 977	101	8	0
5 p.c. B. P. T.	112	0	0

PRODUCE MARKET

BOMBAY, March 24.

The produce market was quiet today under scattered offerings. Castorseeds forward market was closed. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS.

Ready Coromondal	31	12	0
Ready Khandesh	32	0	0
Ready Bold	31	10	0
Feb.-March	31	6	0
April-May	30	10	0

CASTORSEEDS.

Ready	32	0	0
May	Closed.		

LINSEED.

Ready	25	8	0
Feb-March	25	8	0

OILS.

Groundnut Ready	17	7	0
Groundnut March	17	7	0
Groundnut April	17	6	0
Groundnut May	17	5	0
Castorseeds First Pressing.	21	0	0
Castorseeds Commercial Quality	19	8	0
Linseed Oil	16	4	0

HESSIAN MARKET

BOMBAY, March 24.

40X11 per Yd.	Pies.
Ready	123
March	110-1/2
April-June	106
D. W. 40X28.	
Ready	104 0 0
March	102 0 0
April-June	98 4 0

GOLD & SILVER

Bombay, March 24

The Bullion market was quietly steady with moderate business. Forward Silver opened at Rs. 168 and advanced at Rs. 168 8 on scattered support but with increased liquidation declined at Rs. 167/10 and steadied at Rs. 167/12. Ready Silver was quoted at Rs. 167/8. Forward Gold opened at Rs. 111 and after improving at Rs. 111/4 declined at Rs. 110/14 and steadied at Rs. 111. Ready Gold was also quoted at Rs. 111 and Sovereigns were placed at Rs. 71/6.

NEW YORK SILVER.

New York, March 23.

U. S. price of Foreign Silver 74-5/8 cents.

LONDON BULLION.

London, March 23.

London Silver Spot and Forward, both 45d. London Gold bars fine per oz. £8-12-3.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, March 24

B C Rates T T D D 1/5 15/16 Ready

B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready

London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Month

London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month

London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month

New York and Montreal B C Rates T T Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4

Banks Buying T T Rs. 330

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4

Montreal Rs 328 1/2

Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 329

Montreal Rs 328 3/4 L/C

Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 6400

Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 6550

Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79

Belgium Banks Selling T T D D Fcs. 1305

Java Banks Selling T T D D—79

Hongkong Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 84

Singapore Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 157 1/4

New York-London Cross Rate Dot 03 3/4 to 4.03 1/4

London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52.57-53.43

London Alexandria Pia 97 1/4-3/4

London Amsterdam Fl 10.68-70

London Bangkok Pcl 40

London Belgium Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4

London Denmark Kr. 19.32-36

London Hongkong 1/3 1/16

London Iran Rl 128-130

London Java Fl 10.68-70

London Lisbon Es 99.80-100.20

London Manila Pes 8.07-12

London Montreal Dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4

London New Del 4.02 3/4 4.03 1/4

London Oslo Kr 19.98 20.02

London Paris Fcs. 863.40-864.60.

London Prague K 201-202

London Singapore 2,4 7/32-1/8

London Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50

London Switzerland Fcs 17.34-36

London Syria 880-5

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PEPPER PRICES

BOMBAY, March 24.

Fagun	738 to 741
Chaitra	760 to 763

ITALIAN ART SILK YARN

BOMBAY, March 24.

150 D. March	12	6	0
150 D. April	12	9	6
130 D. Ready	11	0	0

BLACK PEPPER PRICES

NEW YORK, March 23.

Spot	41.00
March	39.00
May	39.00
July	39.00
September	38.00
October	37.50

LONDON EXCHANGE.

London, March 23

T. T. London on:—

New York selling 4.0275, buying 4.0325, Montreal selling 4.0275, buying 4.0325, Madrid 44.00, Zurich selling 17.34, buying 17.36, Stockholm 14.47 to 14.50.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, March 23.

Australian Wheat (bulk) 137/6 May-June quoted.

CENTRAL BANK'S SOUND POSITION

16 Per Cent Dividend Declared At Annual Meeting

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A final dividend for the half-year ended December 31 last at the rate of 16 per cent per annum, free of income-tax was declared at the annual ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Central Bank of India, Limited, held in the premises of the Bank this evening.

The report of the Board of Directors showed that the net profit for the year including the sum of Rs. 20,52,535 brought forward from the previous year's account amounted to Rs. 1,70,46,448. The report added that on account of the disturbed conditions in the country, and especially in the Punjab, the business of the bank had to be considerably curtailed during the latter half of the year, and that affected the profits of the Bank.

NEW BRANCHES

During the year branches were opened at New Delhi, Rajkot and Chittagong and three sub-branches and four pay-offices were opened at various other centres. During the same period one sub-branch and nine pay-offices had to be closed down on account of the unfavourable local conditions.

Moving the adoption of the Directors' Report, Sir Homi Modi, the Chairman of the Bank stated that the final position of the Bank in spite of the losses they had sustained, continued to be strong.

The report when put to the vote was carried.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

The following is an account to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934 for the week ended the 19th day of March 1948:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Notes held in the Banking Department	15,70,55,000
Notes in circulation	1303,47,30,000
Total Notes issued	1319,26,85,000
Total Liabilities	1319,26,85,000

ASSETS	Rs.
A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—	
(a) Held in India	44,41,45,000
(b) Held outside India	....
Sterling Securities	1135,32,89,000
Total of A	1179,74,34,000
B. Rupee Coin	36,68,46,000
Government of India Rupee Securities	102,84,05,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other Commercial Paper	....
Total Assets	1319,26,85,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 89.424 per cent.

LIABILITIES	Rs.
Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserve Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Central Government of	
(1) India	264,92,54,000
(2) Pakistan	48,86,83,000
(b) Other Governments in	
(1) India	19,55,31,000
(2) Pakistan	3,63,13,000
(c) Banks	82,50,82,000
(d) Others	35,23,89,000
Bills Payable	3,61,65,000
Other Liabilities	15,28,42,000
Rupees	483,62,59,000

ASSETS	Rs.
Notes	15,79,55,000
Rupee Coin	10,97,000
Subsidiary Coin	1,81,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(a) Internal	....
(b) External	....
(c) Government Treasury Bills	1,45,12,000
Balances held abroad	390,42,16,000
Loans and Advances to Governments	5,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	5,40,000
Investments	71,68,30,000
Other Assets	4,04,26,000
Rupees	483,62,59,000

U. S. GOVERNMENT NOT TO PAY SUBSIDY TO COTTON EXPORTERS.

WASHINGTON, March 23, (U. P. A.): The Agricultural Department of United States Government will not pay exporters here a subsidy on cotton shipped abroad which are paid for by foreign countries with United States foreign aid funds, it was learned here today.

The current subsidy is designed to stimulate cotton exports it amounts to one-eighth of a cent per pound. The Department announced previously that it would not pay a subsidy on cotton purchased with interim aid funds. Today's ruling specified exporters shipping cotton to countries which receive foreign aid of any type will not receive a subsidy unless the foreign Government certifies that the foreign aid funds were not used to make the purchase

URGES CONGRESS TO FORBID TREASURY TO BUY RUSSIAN GOLD

WASHINGTON, March 23 (UPA).—Representative Frederick Smith, Ohio Republican, today urged Congress to forbid the treasury to buy Russian gold.

Smith told the House that gold purchases add to inflationary pressures. He said Russia was using gold in a calculated scheme to upset the economies of other countries.

TEXTILE MARKET REVIEW

After the last review, the position in regard to the supply of cloth has deteriorated. The 'ons' asked by some of the millowners and merchants are going up considerably. It is well-known that in some cases 100 per cent has been paid. If the same rumour is correct, in one case 150 per cent. has been paid. This is really ridiculous, specially in view of the fact that the millowners had agreed that they would not allow the prices to increase. The millowners should see that cloth is given to only those who will not ask for the 'ons'. It is known that in some cases cloth is given to some selected few who have some acquaintance with the millowners. They are given the cloth to enable them to earn in this indirect way.

Some of the mills have opened their own stores or made arrangements with some shops for selling their cloth at marked retail price. But there is no limit to the quantity of cloth to be given to an individual. The result is that some people have made it a regular business to buy cloth every day in as large a quantity as possible and to resell it at a much higher price on the spot or later in retail. This should be stopped. The prices otherwise will rise still further. The cotton required for high counts is rising in price. The latest information is that the price of Egyptian cotton will be increased further by 11d or more per lb. This, with the high export duty levied by the Pakistan Government, has tended to increase the price of local Indian Cotton. The cost of cloth will necessarily depend upon the price of cotton.

The Tariff Board has prepared a questionnaire for settling the prices of of cloth. These will rise and fall with the price of raw materials and cotton.

CLOTH MOVEMENT AFTER DECONTROL

BOMBAY, March 24 (API): Official figures for cloth movements from Bombay and Ahmedabad to the various zones in the country since the introduction of decontrol are now available.

During the 40 days between Feb. 10, 1948, when normal movement in piecegoods was resumed and March 20, 1948, no less than 167,000 bales were moved from these two centres alone to various parts in the country.

In addition to this, substantial quantities have moved from producing centres other than Bombay and Ahmedabad, it was stated.

These are the zones listed by the Textile Commissioner, Bombay: East Punjab, U.P., Bihar, West Bengal, Orissa, C.P., South India, Rajputana, Assam, Hyderabad, W.I. States, Bombay surplus area, Central India Statec and Baroda.

The largest consignment of cloth has been to West Bengal which secured during this period 28,770 bales while Bihar comes next with a total of over 27,000 bales. The lowest quota has been Orissa's, which secured just over 1,000 bales. South India was allotted about 15,000 bales.

As a number of zones have received their reasonable requirements, the Textile Commissioner has now decided to concentrate movement to other zones, which are yet in short supply. These are: East Punjab, Assam, Orissa, C.P., Hyderabad and Central India States. Transport permits to cover movements to these zones will be received by the Textile Commissioner from Monday, March 29.

Attlee Calls For More Cotton Exports

LONDON, March 22 (Reuter): Prime Minister Clement Atlee today told a cotton industry delegation that better use of labour and new machinery were needed to let the industry play its part as the nation's number one export producer.

An official statement said the Prime Minister also told the delegation that the cotton industry would have more hands.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Sir Stafford Cripps said it was essential that cotton exports should rise quickly.

The statement added it was agreed a way could be found to achieve the target of production—£10,500,00 worth per month.

BRITAIN BORROWINGS FROM MONETARY FUND

WASHINGTON, March 23 (Reuter)—Great Britain, it was learned here today, has drawn upon the International Monetary Fund, her first withdrawal since last October.

The amount taken was about 60,000,000 dollars, according to reports from British sources.

This would bring the total of British borrowings of dollars from the fund thus far to 300,000,000 dollars.

The British Government's quota for the first year is 325,000,000 dollars.

New York Cotton Prices Rally After Early Drop

Wall Street Market Irregular

NEW YORK, March 23.

COTTON: After the extension of opening gains on mill buying and other demands influenced by revived inflationary chatter and delayed crop preparations, the market turned reactionary under liquidation of near May option accompanied by profit-taking and hedges. Lack of followup buying brought out increased selling. Prices rallied on a flurry of buying credited to New Orleans and securities helpful influences. Otherwise no fresh developments occurred. The session closed steady. Sales are estimated at 175,000 bales.

WALL STREET MARKETS.

STOCKS: Profit-taking and some foreign selling checked the recovery movement with buyers holding off, thereby allowing technical position to be strengthened. Prices fluctuated fractionally in reduced trading with losses slightly predominating. The averages were industrials 173.14 and rails 51.55. The profit-taking later subsided and renewed buying brought gains covering one dollar. Minings, electric manufacturings, wetstocks, oils, motors, rails were buying favourites with the day's volume promising to be around million shares. Rails were aided by the latest dividend and earnings announcements but aircrafts lagged despite the statement by the chairman of the congressional aviation policy board that legislation to build up United States airpower in accordance with the Board's recommendations will be introduced at this session of Congress. The market closed irregular with changes eitherway mostly fractional.

CHICAGO GRAINS: There was early steadiness on continuation of yesterday's buying movement but reactionary tendencies quickly developed under the leadership of wheat influenced by increased selling stimulated by ideal crop weather news. Continued slow domestic flour demands and easiness of the cash wheat market were additional depressants. Towards the close prices rallied sharply from the early low levels on renewed buying credited to commercial interests, reported to represent hedge lifting against sales or cash wheat to the Government. Meanwhile trade quarters in Kansas city estimate that the commodity credit corporation today might have purchased two million bushels or more wheat during the one hour period. If this is correct the purchase would be the largest since the agency initiated the new export buying programme a week ago on Monday.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, March 23

May	34.30—01
July	33.96—03
October	31.33—10
December	30.75—14
Spot	35.20—02

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

New York, March 23

May	34.22—09
July	33.93—03
October	31.29—09
December	30—72—10
Spot	34.18—

New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, March 23.

American Telephone and Telegraph	149-1/8
Amerex Holding Co.	24
Anconda Copper Mining	35
Chase National Bank	34-3 4
Sinclair Oil Co.	17-5/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co.	48-1/2
General Electric Co.	35-1/8
General Motors	54-3 8
Ingersol Rand bid	125
International Nickel	27-1/4
National City Bank of New York	37-3/8
New York Central Rail Road Co.	14-1/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	6-3/8
Texas Corporation	56-1 8
Union Carbon and Carbide	102-1/8
U. S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	45-3/4
U. S. Steel Corporation (Common)	72
Western Union Telegraph	21

NEW YORK SILVER.

NEW YORK, March 23.

U. S. price of Foreign Silver 74-5 8 cents.

LONDON BULLION.

LONDON, March 23.

Gold bars fine per oz.	£8-12-3
Silver Spot	45d.
Forward	45d.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, March 23.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 p c	77
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	104-15/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p c 1952 and after	104
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	113-3/4
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113-7/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	12-1/8
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	120-1/2
National Bank of India	36-1/2

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed at 7 840

Worth Street Trading Highlighted

NEW YORK, March 23, (U. P. A.): On the Worth Street Cotton Goods market today, trading was highlighted by the establishment of new low prices for printcloth fabrics and continued easiness in sheeting construction.

Converters reported offerings involving 150,000 yards 80-square print cloths at 30 cents a yard showing a drop of 1 1/2 cents per yard since last week and a loss of over 8 cwts. since the first of this year

Contract positions also were easier with third quarter, 80-squares going at 25 cents a yard and fourth quarter, goods at 23 1/2 cents a yard.

Brokers looked for levelling off the current premium of five cents per yard on spot goods in relation to contract positions.

London Pepper Market

LONDON, March 23, (U. P. A.): The United Kingdom is now the heavy importer of pepper according to February trade returns which show the imports of black pepper during February amounted to 5,414 cwts. (valued at 75,052 sterling) and the imports of other sorts amounted to 12,539 cwts. (valued at 84,118 sterling).

This compares with 4,408 cwts. of black pepper and 9,696 cwts. of other sorts during February last year.

The totals for the first two months reveal the increase even more strikingly. The imports of black pepper this year amounted to 15,713 cwts. as compared with 8,797 cwts. for the same period last year and 11,432 cwts. in 1938. The imports of other sorts this year amounted to 26,668 cwts. as compared with 21,395 cwts. for the same period last year and 16,176 cwts. in 1938.

The pepper market was quiet today with prices beyond reach—white pepper was quoted at 2 shillings, 10 pence, 3 farthings, and black pepper was quoted at 1 shilling 11 pence. Malabar pepper was quoted at 225 shillings a cwt.

New York Pepper Market

NEW YORK, March 23, (U. P. A.): The following prices were quoted for peppes on the New York spot market today:

Black Lampong	41 nom.
White Muntok	62 nom.

On the futures market, the long-standing trading stalemate in black pepper futures continued unbroken as the market closed inactive, nominally unchanged. A correspondingly dull situation prevailed on the spot market.

Dealers said the Easter week, traditionally slow, indicated that activity might pick up over the next week or ten days. Expectations for better demand were based on small warehouse stocks locally with the chance that grinder inventories will need replenishment along with firmer Indian cables and uncertainty over Indonesian shipments.

Closing prices were: March-May, 29 nom.; July, 33 bid; Sept., 36 bid; Oct., 37.50 nom.; Dec., 37 nom.; Jan., 36 nom. March trading ceases Wednesday.

NEW DELHI, March 24, (U. P. I.): The Government of Pakistan have communicated their decision to the Government of India refusing to accept liabilities running into several crores of rupees on account of contracts entered into by the Industries and Supplies Department Government of India, before August 15 last. It is learnt.

Calcutta Still Premier Jute Exporting Centre

Statistics Of New Licensing System

NEW DELHI, March Evidence that Calcutta's position as India's premier jute exporting centre has not been adversely affected by the operation of Government's new "pro rata" licensing system is provided by the latest available statistics. These show that 77 per cent of the jute export business remains in the hands of Calcutta traders, the entire quota going to them in some cases. Percentages given below relate to jute goods quotas granted to exporters in Calcutta in respect of some of the most important importing countries:

CANADA	94
U. S. A.	72
U. K.	66
AUSTRALIA	90
BURMA	86
CHINA	84
FRANCE	96
CHILE	100
HONG KONG	62
PHILIPPINES	95
PUERTO RICO	100
BELGIUM	86
AVERAGE	77 p.c.

There is also proof that in the first two months of this year there was little fall in the shipment of jute goods from India. The figures are:

	1946	1947	1948
January	61154	81635	73470
February	52191	66077	59651
Total	113345	147712	133121

The figures for January-February 1948 is higher than the average for 1946-47. It is also higher than the 1946 figure and is only little short of last year's. The fall, inevitable because of the introduction of a new system, is believed to be neither substantial nor serious, and there are indications that when statistics for the current month become available it will be found that there has been no decrease in jute shipments for the first quarter of the year and consequently no loss of foreign exchange.

ADDITIONAL QUOTAS

A feature of the operation of the new 'pro rata system of exports is that provisional quota slips not supported by letters of credit opened by the original buyers in the name of the quota holders are cancelled. These cancelled quotas are re-allotted to other shippers. Also additional quotas are being made available to established customers on proof of their having entered into commitments before the new system was introduced. In this way holders of quota slips who were not able to make good their offers are being weeded out, whereas those who have established new connections are given a foothold in the trade. Thus the system makes for the healthy broadening of the entire jute export trade.

SHIPPING NEWS

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

"GURNA arrived from London, on March 22 with 21 passengers on saloon and 3510 tons of general cargo (M.M.)

S.S. "IONJER arrived from Karachi, on March 23, with 4,500 tons of general cargo. (Malabar Steam)

"OHWEM arrived from Trincomali on March 23, with a crew of 56 men (Gilland Fidele).

S.S. "TRIPORT arrived from Rotterdam on March 24 with 5,450 tons of general cargo. (Volkart).

"STEEL VENDOR" arrived from Houseton, on March 24, with 8402 tons of general cargo. (M.M.)

SAILINGS

M V "SALVORE sailed for Trieste, on March 22, with 520 tons of cotton.

"BARJORA" sailed for Basrah, on March 23, with 148 passengers and 1707 tons of general cargo.

"CITY OF DUNKIRK sailed for Middlesborough, on March 23, with 1400 tons of general cargo.

"R.F.A. EASEDALE sailed for Abadan, on March 23, with a crew of 71 men.

M T "RAILA" sailed for Ras Tanurah, on March 23, with a crew of 38 men.

S.S. "SHIRALA" sailed for Karachi, on March 23, with 880 passengers and 10 tons of motor cars.

"BRITISH INDUSTRY" sailed for Abadan, on March 24, with a crew of 58 men.

S.S. "JANAKI" sailed for Cocnin, on March 24, with 1089 tons of general cargo.

"ASIA" sailed for Bangkok, on March 24, with 8000 tons of general cargo and 14 passengers

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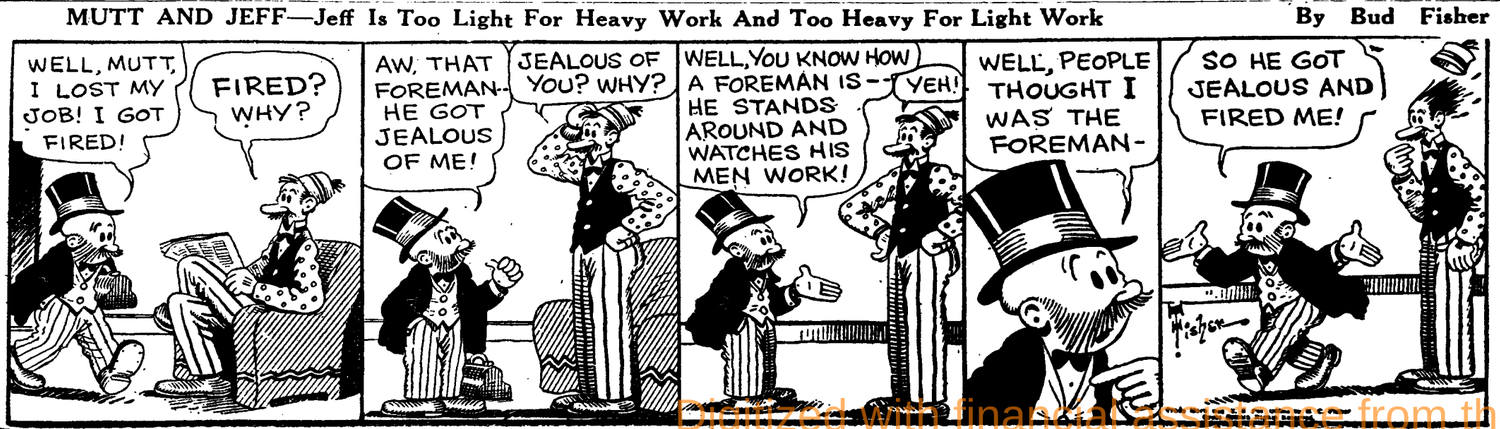
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   (b) AGE: Preferably below 35 years.
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   (b) AGE: Preferably below 35 years.

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A. K. RAMAN,
Director of Civil Supplies,
& Joint Secretary to Government
New India Assurance Building,
Fort, Bombay.
7868

G.I.P. RAILWAY—TENDER NOTICE

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bhore and Thull Ghats, G. I. P. Railway, Lonavla, invites tender upto 16.30 hrs. on 12th April, 1948. for transporting and stacking on Railway ground, 4,70,000 Cft. of Railway rubble at miles 80 on Thull Ghats (N.E. Line).

The form of tender schedule and conditions of contract can be had from his office on payment of Rs. 2 - each. This sum will not be refunded.

Lonavla, 22-3-1948. (7880)

MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE

SEALED TENDERS are invited for the appointment of Clearing and Forwarding Agents at the main ports for receiving and clearing fertilisers to be imported by the Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture, during the period 1st July, 1948 to 30th June, 1949.

2. Charges on account of the following items should be clearly stated:—

i. Landing and Clearing charges per ton;
ii. Storage, Stocking and Loading F.O.R. Charges per ton;
iii Reconditioning and Repacking charges;
iv. Remuneration for services rendered.

3. Quantities to be handled spread over the period indicated above may amount to about 2,50,000 tons. Tenderers will be required to produce evidence that they have at their command sufficient storage accommodation to handle large consignments which may arrive in full ship-loads and may have to be stored for long periods.

4. Tenderers must produce satisfactory evidence showing that they have handled fertilisers or similar other products on a large scale in the past.

5. Other things being equal, preference will be given to those who have actual experience of clearing and forwarding fertilisers and have organisation for distribution of these Chemicals.

6. Tenders must reach the undersigned in sealed covers by the 15th April, 1948 at the latest.

7. Each tender must be accompanied by a treasury chalan for Rs. 10,000 - as earnest money. This amount will be refunded to the unsuccessful tenderers. In addition each tenderer must furnish a satisfactory reference from a Scheduled Bank showing that he has adequate financial standing for the purposes of carrying out the terms of the contract offered to him.

8. The undersigned does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender and further does not bind himself to give reasons for such non-acceptance.

(Sd.) S. K. GHOSE,
Assistant Secretary
to the Govt. of India.
7841

TENDER FOR USUFRUCTS

TENDERS are invited for a usufruct contract at Ammunition Transit Depot, Trombay (Mankhurd) for the period 1-4-48 to 31-3-49. The estate yields Mangoes of best variety, Tamarind and Chickoos. Tenders will be received by C. O. O., Ordnance Depot, Sewri, Bombay upto 2 p.m. on 3-4-48. 7877

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APPLICATIONS are invited for the following permanent non-gazetted posts in the Prince of Wales's Royal Indian Military College, Dehra Dun.

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3. Selected candidates for the above posts must be prepared to join immediately.

4. Applications with copies of testimonials etc. are to be forwarded by post to General Staff Branch MT5 Education, Army HQ India, New Delhi. Suitable candidates will be called up for interview at Delhi at their own expense. Canvassing in any form is forbidden and the applications of candidates will be rejected should they seek interviews before they are called up before the Interview Board.

5. Applications received after 15th April '48 will not be considered. 7833

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of policy numbered 11201 on the life, of Mr. Narainddasji Bhora of Bombay, a duplicate will be issued unless objection is lodged with us within one month from this date, 25th March, 1948.

J. N. HEREDIA,
General Manager.
The Asian Assurance Co., Ltd.
8399

BOMBAY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION.

APPLICATIONS are invited BEFORE 15-5-1948 for two posts of ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANTS. PAY.—Rs. 350-550, PLUS cost living allowance. Higher starting pay may be given in a suitable case. AGE.—Not less than 25 and not more than 40 years on 1-7-1948. QUALIFICATIONS.—A candidate should be Associate or Licentiate of the Royal Institute of British Architects or a Fellow or Associate of the Indian Institute of Architects or possess a Government Diploma in Architecture with special merit AND have experience of at least 5 years of Architectural work. Application form supplied on receipt of large addressed envelope with 3½ annas stamps and CROSSED Postal Order for Re. 1- payable to the Secretary, Bombay Public Service Commission, Bombay, who will supply full details on request. CANVASSING IN ANY FORM WILL DISQUALIFY THE CANDIDATE CONCERNED. (7878)

GHATKOPAR-KIROL MUNICIPALITY NOTICE

(Under Section 64 and 65 of the District Municipal Act, 1901)

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Assessment Lists of the Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality for the year 1948-49 have been completed and published and are open for inspection at the Municipal office at Ghatkopar during office hours on all working days.

Any persons claiming to be ither owner or occupier of any property included in the lists and any agent of such person shall be at liberty to inspect the lists and take extracts there from without any charge.

If any such owner, Occupier or representative has any objection to this assessment, he or she should send his or her objection in writing so as to reach the Undersigned on or before 15-5-1948, after which no objection to the said assessment will be considered.

PURSHOTTAMDAS U. UPADHYAYA,
Chairman,
Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ghatkopar 23-3-48. (7881)

THE AHMEDABAD ADVANCE MILLS, LIMITED. NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Directors of the Company have decided to discontinue the practice of declaring ad-interim dividends and, accordingly, no ad-interim dividend has been declared for the half year ended 31st December, 1947.

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APPLICATIONS are invited for the post of PROFESSOR OF PHARMACOLOGY IN THE GENERAL PROVINCIAL SERVICE (MEDICAL) AT THE B. J. MEDICAL COLLEGE, AHMEDABAD. I.N.A. personnel and refugees from Pakistan eligible to apply. Government servants also eligible if permitted to apply by their Heads of Departments. Selected candidate will have to join immediately and serve at Ahmedabad or any other place in the Province of Bombay where similar appointments exist. AGE.—Not more than 35 years on 1-7-1948, relaxable by Government in case of highly qualified and experienced candidates and Bombay Government servants. PAY.—Rs. 600-40-1000. Higher starting pay admissible to a highly qualified and experienced candidate. Private practice not allowed and no compensatory allowance for loss of private practice or compensatory local allowance admissible. Selected candidate eligible for leave upto 18 months in Europe or America for study of methods of research at the institutions designated by Government. Qualifications.—Candidate must (i) be registered under the Bombay Medical Act, VI of 1912, and (ii) have (a) M.D., M.R.C.P., F.C.P.S., (by examination), Ph.D. (Pharmacology), WITH practice and/or teaching experience in Pharmacology, (b) suitable post-graduate work and qualifications. Those with experience in teaching Pharmacology will be preferred.

No application form is prescribed. Applications giving FULL DETAILS regarding date and place of birth, domicile, qualifications and experience, with copies of certificates and testimonials in support, should be forwarded to the Secretary, Bombay Public Service Commission, P.W.D. Secretariat, Bombay, so as to reach him before the 15TH APRIL 1948. CANVASSING IN ANY FORM WILL DISQUALIFY THE CANDIDATE CONCERNED. (7879)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

THE NATIONAL BANK of India Ltd. has pleasure in announcing that a Branch of the Bank was opened at Kericho, Kenya, on 15th March. (7885)

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS in B. 1 form (percentage) are invited for the following works on 31st March 1948 upto 4 p.m.,

	Estimated cost.
1. S.R. to asphalt surface of Bombay Agra Road mile 19 (furlong 1 to 8)	Rs. 33142.

The blank forms of tender can be had from the Office of the Deputy Engineer Thana during office hours upto 29th March, 1948 on payment of Rs. 3 - which will not be refunded.

H. V. KATAKKAR,
Executive Engineer
South Thana Division.
7883

NOTICE.

SUBORDINATE JUDGE'S COURT, CALICUT.

O. S. 62 OF 1946

B. RAMANATH KAMATH AND Co., ... Plaintiff.
SHA MANACKCHAND JEEVARAJ MERCHANT LONAND ..... Defendant.

THE ABOVE SUIT after Notice is posted to 8-4-1948 for defendants' appearance. In default of appearance on which date at 11 a.m., the suit will be heard and disposed exparte.

A. RANGASWAMI IYER,
Pleader for Plaintiff.
8394

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
I.C. No. 34 of 1948.
In the matter of the INDIAN COMPANIES ACT VII of 1913
and
In the matter of the JAI HIND PUBLISHERS, LTD. and reduced.
THE JAI HIND PUBLISHERS LIMITED .. Petitioners.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the petition presented to the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 19th day of March, 1948 for confirming a Resolution reducing the capital of the Company by returning Rs. 46-8-0 in the first instance out of the sum of Rs. 50 - fully paid to the ordinary share-holders and the balance of Rupee one subsequently and also Rs. 46-8-0 in the first instance out of the sum of Rs. 50 - fully paid up to the 5 per cent tax free cumulative Preference Shareholders and the balance of Rupee one subsequently in terms of special resolution referred to in para 7 of the said petition is directed to be heard before the Hon'ble the Sitting Judge in Chambers on the 25th day of June, 1948.

Any Creditor or Shareholder of the above Company desiring to oppose the making of the order for reduction of Capital of the said Company under the above act should appear at the hearing by himself or his attorney or his Counsel for that purpose.

A copy of the petition will be furnished to any Creditor or Shareholder of the Company requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the regulated charges for the same.

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1948.

DHRU & CO.,
Attorneys for the Company,
Alli Chambers,
Medows Street, Fort, Bombay
(7889)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. RASIKLAL MANEKLAL, of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within 14 days. In default the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL those pieces or parcels of vacant land or ground situate, lying and being in the village of Chakkala (Andheri) containing by admeasurement 16000|- (Sixteen Thousand) square yards or thereabouts and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East by the Bomanpara Road and the property of Hormusji Sorabji, on or towards the West by the property of Bai Jerbai Gulbai, on or towards the North by the public road from Andheri to Marol and on or towards the South by the vacant land of Jerbai Gulbai and bearing the following numbers:

Survey No.	Hissa No.	Plot No.		Assessment.
60	1	3-4-5	Rs.	7 0 0
61	1	1 part	„	8 11 0
62	nil	1 to 11	„	19 8 0
67	2	4,5,6 and 8	„	6 4 0

Dated this 23rd day of March, 1948.

AMBUBHAI AND DIWANJI
Purchaser's Attorneys.
Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.
(7882)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANNA D'CUNHA alias Mrs. ANNA FERREIRA and LOURDES D'CUNHA alias Mrs. LOURDES MIRANDA, both Christian inhabitants of Chuim, Danda, Bandra have contracted to sell their undermentioned property to my client, free from all incumbrances. Any person or persons having any claim of any nature against the said property are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within seven days from the date hereof, failing which, the sale will be completed without considering any such claims if received thereafter and the same shall be considered as waived and abandoned.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground, situate, lying and being at Village Chuim, Danda, Bandra Taluka, South Salsette, District Bombay Suburban, now Greater Bombay and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and bearing City Survey No. 28, (28) and N. A. No. 113, together with the building standing thereon, bearing Bandra Municipal House No. 67, excluding a portion of vacant land on the East side of the said house at a distance of 20ft. and touching Palli Danda Road and the said property is bounded as follows: on or towards the north partly by C. S. No. 27 and partly by Bandra Revision Survey No. 85, on or towards the South by C. S. No. 29, on or towards the East by remaining vacant portion of land belonging to vendors and touching Palli Danda Road, and on or towards West by Road.

Dated this 24th day of March, 1948.

C. H. CHHAYA,
Advocate for the Purchaser.
Abdulla Building,
Opposite Dena-Bank,
Ghod-Bunder Road,
Khar, Bombay No. 21.
7890

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Director
7886

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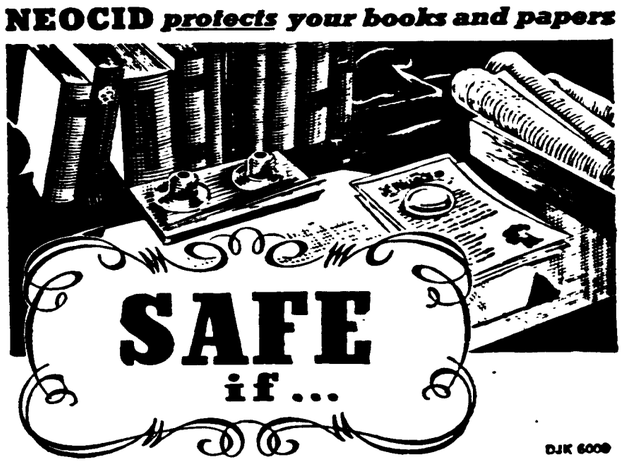

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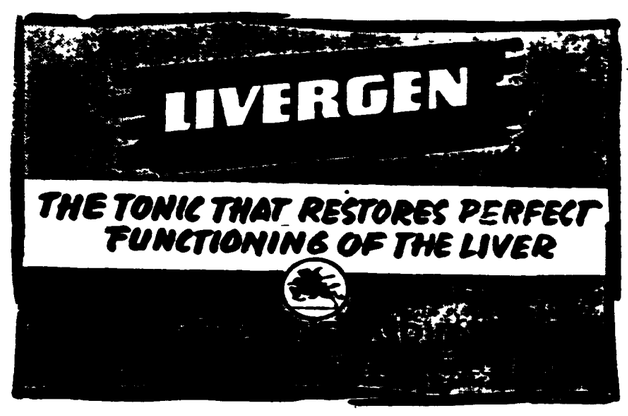

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